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## Guilty plea rescinded, Robinson court date set

Jack Latta  
Staff Writer

**PRESTONSBURG** — James "Red" Robinson, husband of Martin Mayor Thomasine Robinson, was given a reprieve Friday morning, when District Judge Eric Hall set aside his guilty plea.

Robinson, was arrested following a reconviction of the Martin mayoral race, after he allegedly made verbal threats against the presumed winner of that race, Sam Howell. Last Tuesday, Robinson appeared in court without an attorney, and after pleading guilty to the charges of terroristic threatening and menacing, was taken into custody.

Steve Owens appeared in court

later Tuesday, purportedly to represent Robinson, and made an oral motion that Robinson's guilty plea be set aside, which was denied by District Judge Eric Hall.

Friday morning, Owens appeared again before Judge Hall asking that the court allow Robinson to rescind his guilty plea.

Owens told Judge Hall that Robinson entered the guilty plea without understanding what the maximum penalties were.

County Attorney Keith Bartley said it was hard to respond to a motion which he had not been presenting, but stated Robinson's change of heart had nothing to do with procedure, and everything to do with him not being released on Tuesday.

"It doesn't have anything to do with procedure," said Bartley. "It has to do with the fact that he didn't walk back through those doors."

Bartley said he has "multiple independent witnesses" to the event and doesn't mind trying the case.

Judge Hall allowed Robinson to rescind his guilty plea, saying, "People should feel things here are done fairly."

But Hall did not let Robinson completely off the hook. Hall said Robinson is to be held in strict home confinement.

"If you violate that even once, you will go back to jail," Judge Hall told Robinson.

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James Robinson is directed by court bailiffs to speak to probation and parole officials, after his guilty plea was rescinded Friday.

## Two arrested in Harold burglary

Jack Latta  
Staff Writer

**HAROLD** — A Pike County couple was arrested last week, after a one-month investigation into a burglary at a Floyd County home.

According to Kentucky State Police, Post 9 in Pikeville received a report of a burglary Oct. 28 of a residence in Harold. The homeowner told police there were several missing items from within her residence during the last two months.

Trooper Jonathan Dixon, along with Det. Jimmy Anderson, was in charge of the investigation. Last Wednesday, Det. Anderson conducted a search of a Millard residence, where several items linked to the burglary were found.

Kayla Adkins, 26, and Matthew Adkins, 28, both of Pike County, was arrested and charged with one count of first-degree burglary, one count of theft by unlawful taking over \$10,000, and theft by unlawful taking of a firearm.

Both subjects were arrested and lodged in the Floyd County Detention Center. The incident remains under investigation by Det. Anderson.

## Gift Program still looking for a few Facebook 'Angels'

Ralph B. Davis  
Managing Editor

**PRESTONSBURG** — An online effort to obtain Christmas presents for someone who might not otherwise receive any is once again underway, and this year has expanded the effort once again.

"Facebook Angels" organizer Brent Graden said this year's effort has expanded beyond Prestonsburg nursing homes to now also include those residing in Mountain Comprehensive Care Center's adult and child crisis centers.

As of Tuesday afternoon, Graden was still attempting to fill the remaining slots on a list with 175 names. The list includes the names of each recipient, as well as some items those people would like to receive.

In many cases, the wishes are modest and include items such as socks, blankets, Western novels, lotion and candy.

Under the initiative, Graden publicizes the list of names, then asks

people in the community to "adopt" one or more names on the list, promising to obtain at least some of the items for which they have asked.

"We decided to try to use the power of social media to do something for our community, and we're getting it done," Graden said of the effort, now in its third year.

Graden said the gifts make a world of difference to the recipients.

"There's a lot of times when they don't have that Christmas miracle happen for them," Graden said. "They don't have a lot of family, so we've been doing this and I think we get more out of it than they do."

As of Tuesday, 110 of the 175 slots were filled.

To participate in Facebook Angels, contact Graden through his Facebook page, at [www.facebook.com/votebrentgraden](http://www.facebook.com/votebrentgraden), or by calling him at (606) 226-9353.



Kentucky State Police accident reconstructionist Bryan Layne, left, peers through a total station to obtain precise measurements of the accident scene, while fellow officers assist.

## Woman, granddaughter killed in wreck

Ralph B. Davis  
Managing Editor

**STANVILLE** — A woman and her teenage granddaughter are dead and several more are injured, following a wreck Saturday on U.S. 23.

According to Kentucky State Police, Peggy Sue Case, 53, of Prestonsburg, was driving south in her 2005 Pontiac Grand Prix, around 1 p.m., when she lost control of her vehicle near the Dollar General Store. The car went onto the shoulder, striking the guardrail in front of attorney Eric C. Conn's office, then veered perpendicularly across the roadway into the far northbound lane, where it was "T-boned" by a 2007 Suzuki sport-utility vehicle, driven by Carl Ray Johnson, of Kite. The vehicles came to a rest in the south entrance to Cardinal Country Store.

"Of course, we don't know why the vehicle lost control in the first place," KSP accident



Peggy Sue Case



Ashley Marie Case

reconstructionist Bryan Layne said as he took measurements at the scene Monday. "That's what I'm going to try to find out."

Case and her 16-year-old granddaughter, Ashley Marie Case, a junior at Prestonsburg High School, were pronounced dead at the scene by Floyd County Coroner Greg Nelson. Johnson and two passengers

in his vehicle were transported to Pikeville Medical Center for their injuries.

Peggy and Ashley Case will be remembered in a joint funeral ceremony at 1 p.m., Wednesday, at the First Church of God, of Prestonsburg. Peggy Case was the daughter of Heather Case and Jason Risner and Larry

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## Family Dollar to move to old Save-A-Lot building

Ralph B. Davis  
Managing Editor

**PRESTONSBURG** — The Prestonsburg Family Dollar store will soon be moving to a larger location, putting a long-vacant building back into service.

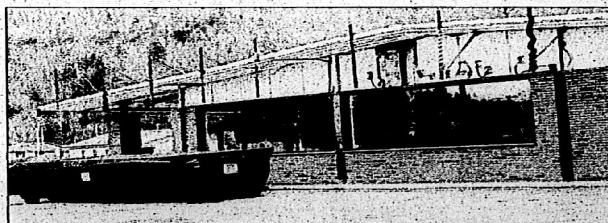
The store will be moving just a couple of blocks up North Lake Drive, taking over the space formerly occupied by Save-A-Lot.

Bryn Winburn, a public relations specialist out of Family Dollar Stores corporate headquarters in North Carolina, confirmed the move Tuesday. She said the com-

pany has targeted spring as the new store's tentative opening date.

Winburn did not have a lot of specifics about the move, but did say the new store is 12,000 square feet, with 11,000 square feet of interior building space. She did not know the area of Family Dollar's current store, but said most stores in the chain are 7,000-to-8,000 square feet.

Winburn did not know whether the additional space at the new location would allow for a larger selection of merchandise or simply a larger storage room.



Workers have been remodeling the old Save-A-Lot building on North Lake Drive, demolishing a portion of the back end of the building and gutting its interior, to make the structure ready to house a new Family Dollar store within the next few months.

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# Obituaries



**Shular Jackson Hurd**  
Shular Jackson Hurd, age 80, of Ivel, husband of Rita Boyd Hurd, passed away Saturday, Dec. 1, 2012, at Pikeville Medical Center.

He was born Oct. 2, 1957, in Rochester, N.Y., to the late Verdie Akers Adams Hall and Melvin Adams. He was the husband of Linda White Adams. Melvin was a father, a husband, and a general laborer who attended Tackett Fork Freewill Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, John B. Adams, Robert Adams and Michael Adams.

He is survived by his sons, Dwayne (Becky) White, of Beaver, and Brian (Sarah) Adams, of Ligon; daughter, Miranda (Clen) Gayheart, of Johnson County; sisters, Joyce Adams, of Rochester, N.Y., and Betty Slone, of Wheelwright; brothers, Norman Adams, of Gallipolis, Ohio, Carl Adams, of Rochester, N.Y., and Melvin Adams Jr., of McDowell; grandchildren, Jonathan, Victoria, Trenton, Keasha, Caleb, Brittany, Beth, Austin, Josh, Allie and Katie; and great grandchildren, Allie, Ethan, Jaylon, Ezra and Alyzabeth.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Wednesday, Dec. 5, at Tackett Fork Freewill Baptist Church, at Beaver. Burial will follow the service at Greenbury Hall Cemetery in Galveston.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, of Martin, is in charge of arrangements.  
[www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com](http://www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com)

In addition to his wife, Shular is survived by a son, Shular Jackson Hurd Jr., of Stanville; two daughters, Cathy (Earl) Hurd-Crank, of Ivel, and Debbie Hurd, of Stanville; a stepson, Charles (Rachel) Hall, of Hurricane; two stepdaughters, Tina (John) Freeman, of Salem, W.Va., and Connie (Mitch) Hall, of Hurricane, W.Va.; three brothers, Graden Hurd, of Warsaw, Ind., Don (Cindy) Hurd, of Coffeyville, Kans., and Gary Thomas (Sandy) Hurd, of Warsaw, Ind.; a sister, Mary (James) Spencer, of Morral, Ohio; four grandchildren, Leigh Ann Preston, Brett Preston, Jeremy Click and Cody Click; five step-grandchildren, Chastity (Rusty) Hill, Candace Yates, Tara (Noah) Hall Jondelyn Freeman and Mary Ann Freeman; and one great step-grandchild, Liam Hill.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife, Phyllis Woods Hurd; three brothers, Joe Edd Hurd, Gordon Hurd and Lorenzo Hurd; and two sisters, Esta Hurd Freeman and Katherine Hurd Sluss.

Funeral services for Shular Jackson Hurd were conducted Tuesday, Dec. 4, in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Edgar McKinney officiating. Burial followed in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel.

**Melvin Adams Jr.**  
Melvin Adams Jr., 55, of Grethel, died Saturday,

Dec. 1, 2012, at Pikeville Medical Center.

He was born Oct. 2, 1957, in Rochester, N.Y., to the late Verdie Akers Adams Hall and Melvin Adams. He was the husband of Linda White Adams. Melvin was a father, a husband, and a general laborer who attended Tackett Fork Freewill Baptist Church.

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He is survived by his sons, Dwayne (Becky) White, of Beaver, and Brian (Sarah) Adams, of Ligon; daughter, Miranda (Clen) Gayheart, of Johnson County; sisters, Joyce Adams, of Rochester, N.Y., and Betty Slone, of Wheelwright; brothers, Norman Adams, of Gallipolis, Ohio, Carl Adams, of Rochester, N.Y., and Melvin Adams Jr., of McDowell; grandchildren, Jonathan, Victoria, Trenton, Keasha, Caleb, Brittany, Beth, Austin, Josh, Allie and Katie; and great grandchildren, Allie, Ethan, Jaylon, Ezra and Alyzabeth.

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**Roger Woodrum**  
Roger Woodrum, 75, of Mansfield, Ohio, died Tuesday, Nov. 13, 2012, at The Good Shepherd Nursing Home.

He is survived by his children, Dorothy (Keith) Osborne, of Shelby, Edith Lynn (Egory) Mullins, of Grayson, and Loretta (Kenneth) Means, of Mansfield; four grandchildren; and three great grandchildren.

Services will be held at Graceway United Methodist Church, at Langley (Maytown), at 6 p.m., Friday, Dec. 7. Memorial contributions may be made to Graceway United Methodist Church.

Online guest register at [www.wappner.com](http://www.wappner.com)

nieces, nephews and other family.

He was preceded in death by sister, Jewell Legge Tjossem; brother-in-law, William Booth; and a grandson, Justin Leslie.

He proudly served as Staff Sergeant during the Korean War. After an honorable discharge, he returned to Prestonsburg, where he raised his family, served for over 50 years in numerous capacities as a faithful member of the Community United Methodist Church and retired from Columbia Gas Transmission following over 35 years of employment. His joys in life were service to God, spending time with his family and friends and enjoying Southern Gospel music.

Funeral services will be at noon, Friday, Nov. 30, at the Community United Methodist Church, in Prestonsburg. Burial will follow in Gethsemane Gardens, in Prestonsburg.

Hall Funeral Home, of Martin, is in charge of arrangements.



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Online guest register at [www.wappner.com](http://www.wappner.com)

**Ronnie Blevins**  
Ronnie Blevins, 62, of Blue Creek, Ohio, died Friday, Nov. 30, 2012.

He was born May 10, 1950, to the late Walker and Gilda Osborne Blevins. He was the husband of Mildred Gayheart Blevins. Ronnie was a disabled coal miner, as well as a member of the UMW and Old Time Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Earnest Blevins; a sister, Shelby Reynolds; and his father-

in-law, Pie Gayheart.

He is survived by a son, Steven Blevins, of Blue Creek, Ohio; a daughter, Tammy Blevins, of McDowell; grandchildren, Gilva, Walker, Annie, Ronnie, Marcus and Michael; and mother-in-law, Ethel Gayheart.

Funeral services were held Monday, Dec. 3, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Denver Meade and others officiating. Burial followed the service in the Blevins Family Cemetery, at Fraziers Creek of McDowell.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, of Martin, is in charge of arrangements.  
[www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com](http://www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com)

**Ashley Marie Case**  
Ashley Marie Case, 16, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, Dec. 1, 2012.

She was born Dec. 31, 1995, the daughter of Heather Case Risner, Jason Risner and Larry Michael Shepherd. Ashley was a junior at Prestonsburg High School.

She was preceded in death by her grandmother, Peggy Sue Case, as well as her uncle, Phillip Case.

She is survived by a brother, Joshua Risner, of Prestonsburg; sister, Tiffany Risner, of Prestonsburg; grandparents, Rodney Case, of Prestonsburg, and Henry Case and Belinda Risner, of Prestonsburg.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 5, at Prestonsburg First Church of God, with Steve Williams officiating. Burial will follow the service in the Case Family Cemetery, at Hunter.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, of Martin, is in charge of arrangements.  
[www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com](http://www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com)

**Peggy Sue Case**  
Peggy Sue Case, 53, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, Dec. 1, 2012.

She was born March 10, 1959, to the late Steve and Nora Johnson. She was the wife of Rodney Case, was a homemaker and a member of the Prestonsburg First Church of God.

She was preceded in death by her son, Phillip Case; her granddaughter, Ashley Marie Case; and brothers and sisters, Lora Craft, Birdie Spears, Claude Johnson, Gardner Johnson and Garland Johnson.

She is survived by her children, Kari Lynn Case and Heather Risner, both of Prestonsburg; sisters, Myrtle L. Jones, Crystal Caudill and Rosalee Craft; brothers, Clarence Johnson, Russell Johnson and Robert Johnson; and grandchildren, Joshua Risner and Tiffany Risner.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 5, at Prestonsburg

First Church of God, with Steve Williams officiating. Burial will follow the service in the Case Family Cemetery.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, of Martin, is in charge of arrangements.  
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**Alma Castle**  
Alma Castle, 90, of Hueysville, died Friday, Nov. 30, 2012, at Prestonsburg Healthcare.

She was born Feb. 20, 1922, to the late Jimmy and Siddle Reed Hughes. She was the wife of the late Toby Castle. Alma was a homemaker and attended the Old Regular Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Toby Ann Riddle; her brothers and sisters, Arnold Hughes, James Vernon Hughes, Curtis Hughes, Essie Hick, Corn Smith and Bonnie Jean Zabo; a granddaughter, Miranda; and two great grandsons, Connor and Matthew.

She is survived by her son, Anthony "Harpo" Castle (Maria), of Martin, and Banner Castle (Joan), of Chapman; brother, Douglas Hughes, of Clima; Mich.; grandchildren, Robin, Vanessa, Anthony, April, Whitley, Virginia, Kim, Matthew, Joanie and Todd; and great grandchildren, Chris, Zach, Alley, Nick, Cameron, Ethan, Elizabeth, Tyler, Nathan, Victoria, Logan, Breanna, Blake, Devon, McKenna, Dominic, Jasmine, Kaleb, Mia, Hailey, Kinslee, Ethan, Addison and Aiden.

Funeral services were held Monday, Dec. 3, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Jerry Manns officiating. Burial followed the service at Hueysville Cemetery, at Hueysville.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, of Martin, is in charge of arrangements.  
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**Eileen Osborne Conley**  
Eileen Osborne Conley, 91, of Farrug, Tenn., died Friday, Nov. 30, 2012.

She was born to the late Oak and Carrie Allen Osborne, of Hueysville. She was the wife of the late Eugene Conley.

She was preceded in death by her son, Allen David (Elizabeth) Conley.

She is survived by a sister, Margie Osborne Watson; three granddaughters, Faige Conley-Smith (Louie), Maria Conley and Suzanne Conley Hall (Scott); and great-grandsons, Jon David Smith, Connor Cotton and Braylon Hall.

Funeral services were held at graveside Monday, Dec. 3, in the Osborne Cemetery, at Hueysville, with Lorie

Vannuel officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the American Stroke Foundation or American Cancer Society. Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, of Martin, is in charge of arrangements.  
[www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com](http://www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com)

**Willard Dotson**  
Willard Dotson, 71, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, Nov. 26, 2012, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

He was born April 5, 1941, in Prestonsburg, to the late Bill and Maggie Arnett Dotson. He was the husband of Edith Hager Dotson.

He worked as a coal miner, a member of the Plumber & Pipe Fitter Association in Ashland, the First Church of God, Prestonsburg, and a lifetime member of the VFW.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Roger Dotson.

He is survived by a daughter, Shauna Conley, of Prestonsburg; two brothers, Greeley Dotson, of Grove City, Ohio, and Bob Dotson, of Prestonsburg; and two grandchildren, Robert Corey Conley and Jarred Will Conley.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m., Friday, Nov. 30, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Steve Williams officiating. Burial will follow the service at the Dotson Family Cemetery (Ruff & Tuff), Prestonsburg.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, of Martin, is in charge of arrangements.  
[www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com](http://www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com)

**Ricky Sturgill**  
Ricky Sturgill, 57, of Harold, died Saturday, Dec. 1, 2012, at his residence.

He was born Nov. 6, 1955, to Mary Akers Baustista and the late Arnold B. Sturgill. His stepmother was Donna Sturgill and his stepfather was Harold James. Ricky was a disabled truck driver.

He is survived by two step-sons, Adam and Shawn; two step-daughters, Cassandra and Emily; two brothers, Mike Sturgill and Arnold Sturgill; two sisters, Sharon Smith and Karen Waugh; several step-grandchildren; and a host of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Dec. 4, at Harold Church of Christ, at Harold, with Tommy Bush officiating. Burial followed the service at Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel.

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, of Martin, is in charge of arrangements.  
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# Calendar

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**Editor's note:** To announce your community event, you may hand-deliver your item to The Floyd County Times office, located at 263 S. Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, or mail to: The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; or fax to 606-886-3605; or email to: [features@floydcountytimes.com](mailto:features@floydcountytimes.com). Information will not be taken over the telephone. All items will be placed on a first-come, first-serve basis as space permits.

### Clothing and household giveaway

The Middle Creek Fire Department Ladies' Auxiliary will give away free clothing and household items to anyone who needs them, Wednesday, Dec. 12, Thursday, Dec. 13, and Friday, Dec. 14, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day at the old Middle Creek Fire Station, on Route 114. Donations of any kind are accepted. For more information, contact Deedee Holbrook at (606) 886-8481 or (606) 226-3525.

### Santa visit

Santa Claus will be at the old Middle Creek Fire Station to meet area children on Saturday, Dec. 15, from noon until 3 p.m.

### Revival

Garrett New Beginnings Outreach Church, across the road from the Garrett Post Office, will have a revival Dec. 7, 8 and 9, beginning at 7 p.m. each night.

### Pet photos with Santa

Diamonds in the Ruff (East Kentucky Animal Aid) will be at Christmas in the Park at Archer Park, Saturday evening, Dec. 8, from 5 to 8 p.m. Diamonds presents Photos with Santa for family and pets. Personalized Christmas ornaments, stockings, collars, t-shirts, and a chance to win a beautiful handmade quilt. All proceeds will benefit the homeless dogs and cats of Eastern Kentucky. Family and furry friends photos will be held indoors so all will stay warm.

### Veterans representative

A veterans benefits field representative will be at the Floyd County Public Library, in Prestonsburg, on Wednesday, Dec. 5, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Veterans and their dependents will receive assistance filing for federal and state veterans benefits. This service is provided free of charge by the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs. To apply, veterans need to furnish copies of pertinent documentation to verify eligibility. For further information, call (866) 647-2926 to speak with a veterans benefits field representative.

### Advent readings and prayer

An hour of advent readings and quiet prayer will be held Wednesdays at 7 p.m., during Advent, St. James Episcopal Church.

### Kudzu seeking submissions

Do you have a poem or a story to share? HCLC's literary magazine, Kudzu, is seeking submissions for its Spring 2013 issue. Send your original poetry, short stories, flash fiction, and creative nonfiction. Submissions must be in either Word or as an RTF and uploaded as attached documents at <https://kudzu.submittable.com/submit>. No snail mail submissions will be accepted. Please contact Instructor Savannah Sipple at [ssipple001@kctcs.edu](mailto:ssipple001@kctcs.edu) or at 437-3547, for more detailed submission guidelines. Deadline is Jan. 15, 2013.

### Floyd County Job Club

The Floyd County Job club meets every Thursday, from 11 a.m. until noon, at the Kentucky Career Center Office of Employment and Training, in Prestonsburg. This free job club is sponsored by Eastern Kentucky Concentrated Employment Program, Big Sandy Area Community Action Program and the Office of Employment and Training. At the club, you will get job lead, job search advice and networking opportunities that will help you get hired. All are welcome and first-time visitors are encouraged to come one hour early for a new member orientation. Call (606) 886-2948, for more information.

### Quit smoking

Are you ready to kick the tobacco habit for good? The Cooper/Clayton Method to Stop Smoking can help! Classes are ongoing at Saint Joseph - Martin on Mondays, at 10:30 a.m., in the Seton Complex Room Level Conference Room. For more information, call 285-6692. The Cooper/Clayton Method to Stop Smoking Program is made available to Kentuckians through the Kentucky Cancer Program and its partners.

### Communities Against Drug Addiction

Floyd County Communities Against Drug Addiction meets at noon the third Tuesday of each month, in the third floor conference room of the Floyd County Health Department. Lunch is provided. For more information, contact Mike Vance at (606) 226-2075, Leslie Howell at (606) 263-4370 or (606) 339-7358, or Carol Jo May at (606) 226-2565.

### Allen VFD membership drive

Allen Volunteer Fire Department is now holding a membership drive. Meetings are held every Monday night, at 6:30 p.m., at the station. Please stop and help your volunteer fire department or call Asst. Chief Bill Jarvis at (606) 791-6601.

### Volunteer mentors wanted

Mentoring for a Second Chance is a jail-based service program designed to

help reduce recidivism and promote positive growth, by linking nonviolent offenders with a mentor from the local community. M2C is looking for local men who are motivated to make a difference in the life of an individual while having a positive impact on the community.

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a mentor, contact mentor coordinator Joshua Kinzer, (606) 886-4439, (606) 339-8878, or [Jkinzer@M2Comp.org](mailto:Jkinzer@M2Comp.org).

### Veterans service officer

VFW Post 5839 in Lancer will have a service officer available every Wednesday, from noon until 4 p.m. Some services offered will be initial claim filing, upgrades, appeals, permanent and total claims and others. Contact (606) 886-9428 or (606) 297-1973 for more information.

### Autism Awareness & Support Group

2nd Monday of each month, Calvarys Call Church, Lancer, (6-7 p.m.). Contact: Billie Chain, [castkyautismawareness@gmail.com](mailto:castkyautismawareness@gmail.com)

### Autistic Children Support Group plans monthly meeting

Support group for Guardians of Autistic Children will meet the first Thursday of every month at the Haven of Rest, 1601 Airport Road, Inez. Call (606) 298-0520 for information.

### Non-profit agency needs foster parents

Non-profit agency in need of foster parents in your area. Financial compensation/ bonuses, free foster parent trainings, mileage reimbursement, and 24/7 support are available. All foster children get a medical card, free school lunches, and clothing vouchers/other reimbursements. Call for more information, at 606-886-0163 or visit our website at [www.benchmarkfamilyservices.org/](http://www.benchmarkfamilyservices.org/)

### Auxiliary Learning Center offers home repair aid

Need help with home repairs? The Auxier Lifetime Learning Center can help. We are now taking applications for home repairs. If you or someone you know are low income and need help with repairs on your home, please call 606-886-0709 for your application, or stop by the office at 21 South River Street, Auxier. Office hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00-4:00. Must provide proof of income and ownership.

### FCHD offers Body Recall exercise classes

The Floyd County Health Department offers Body Recall gentle exercise classes every Monday, Wednes-

day, and Friday, at 9:30 a.m. and at 10:30 a.m., at the First Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg. Classes are free and open to the public. Call 886-2788 for more information.

### Become a volunteer with Victim Services Program

You are more likely to be hurt by someone whom you know rather than be assaulted on Kentucky's streets by a total stranger. Learn to assist victims of sexual assault, child abuse and domestic violence by becoming a Volunteer with Victim Services Program. Call today to receive an application for our free training program.

Call the Volunteer Coordinator at (606) 886-4323 for further information or to request an application. (The Victim Services Program is a program of Mountain Comprehensive Care Center.)

### Out-Patient Drug Treatment Program and Education

Narconon warns parents that abuse of addictive pharmaceutical drugs with youth is on the rise with deadly consequences. Learn the signs of drug abuse.

Call Narconon for a free brochure on the signs of addiction for all drugs. 877-379-0208. [www.drugsnog.com](http://www.drugsnog.com)

### Auxier Community Center

Free GED classes, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, from 10 a.m.-12.

### Free Bible Lessons

Write to: Bible Way Outreach Ministry, P.O. Box 3374, Kingsport, TN 37664. Lessons completely free of charge to all interested.

### Need help with addiction?

Line of Floyd County "Conquer Chemical Dependency" is a Christ-centered 12-step program offering support to those who are coping with addiction and learning to live drug-free lives. The support group meets on the following schedule:

Mondays, at Minnie (beside pharmacy), from 7-8 p.m.  
 Mondays, at Little Mud, Spruce Pine School, from 7-8 p.m.

Mondays, family support group, for families that have been hurt by addiction. McDowell First Baptist Church, 7 p.m.

Tuesdays, in Prestonsburg, in the Van Ark Building, from 2-3 p.m.  
 Tuesdays, at David, The David School, from 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Wednesdays, at Allen Baptist Church, from 7-8 p.m.

Thursdays, at Allen Baptist Church, from 7-8 p.m.  
 Thursdays, "Stepping into Freedom" group, McDowell First Baptist Church, 7 p.m.

For more information, call Libbi Hall at (606) 377-2930.

### Need Help With Home Repairs?

The Auxier Lifetime Learning Center can help! We are now taking applications for home repairs. If you, or someone you know, are low income and need help with repairs on your home, please call 606-886-0709 for your application, or stop by our office at 21 South River Street, Auxier. Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8-4.

### Hope in the Mountains

Hope in the Mountains will host public meetings on Mondays, at 9 a.m., at the junction of U.S. 23 and Rt. 80, on Water Gap Rd., behind the Trimble Chapel Church.

Meetings focus will be to offer information in regard to community resources available to women seeking freedom from drug abuse. Family members are also welcome to attend. The Hope initiative proposes to help women break free from addictive lifestyles to become self-respecting contributing members of society.

Call 874-2008 or 788-1006 for more information.

Floyd County Seniors A regular scheduled Board meeting of the Floyd County Senior Citizens, Inc. will be held on Thursday, November 15 at 4:00p.m. in the Courthouse of the Fiscal Court in the old courthouse building.

### Democratic Woman's Club

The Floyd County Democratic Woman's Club meets the third Monday of each month at 6 p.m., at Prestonsburg City Hall.

### Have an 'Out of this World' birthday party!

The East Kentucky Science Center is now offering a fun and distinctive party venue for kids of all ages. The Birthday Party package includes rental of classroom and admission to exhibits and planetarium programs. Must be booked two weeks in advance; limit 40 guests. Call 889-8260 for more information.

### Prestonsburg Rotary Club

Prestonsburg Rotary Club meets on Thursdays, 12 noon to 1 p.m., at Reno's Roadhouse. For additional information, contact Paula Howard, 263-3225, or Tommie Layne, 886-4585. Everyone welcome.

### 'Earn While You Learn'

The Big Sandy Area C.A.P. office is taking applications for its "Senior Training Program." You must be 55 or older to apply. In Floyd, call 886-2929; Johnson, call 789-6515; Magoffin, call 349-2217; Pike, call 432-2775; and in Lawrence, call 638-4067.

### Looking for a support group?

**Floyd County Alzheimer's Support Group** meets regularly at Riverview Manor Healthcare Center. Call the center for meeting times.

### Domestic Violence Support Group

The Big Sandy Family Abuse Center holds meetings each Tuesday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The meetings are free of charge. Call 886-6025 for more information.

### Overeaters' Anonymous

Meetings held each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., at the old Allen Baptist Church, located in Allen, just past red light. Call 889-8620 for more info.

### US TOO! Prostate Cancer Survivors Support Group

For all men with prostate cancer and their families. Group meets the 3rd Thursday of each month, at 6 p.m., at the Ramada Inn, Paintsville.

### Community Weight Loss Support Group

Meets Thursdays at 6:30 p.m., at the Martin Community Center. For more info, call 377-6658. Those who have had gastric bypass surgery most especially welcome to attend. Meetings being offered as support to anyone needing extra support in dealing with weight loss.

### Domestic Violence Hotline

24-hour Crisis Line manned by Certified Domestic Violence counselors. Call 886-6025, or 1-800-649-6605. Remember, "Love Doesn't Have to Hurt."

**Disabled?** - You may be eligible for grant money to assist in your daily living. For an application or more information, call 886-4326.

### A.S.K. (Adoption Support for Kentucky)


Support group for all adoptive parents (public, private, international, and kinship care), foster parents and all others interested in adoption. To be held the first Monday of each month, at the Department for Community Based Services office, 1009 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, from 6-8 p.m. Childcare will not be provided. For more information, contact Dedra Slone, adoptive parent liaison, at 432-4110 or 422-7927, or email to: [doslone@eastky.net](mailto:doslone@eastky.net).

### PARENTS!

Contact the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, Inc. to find out about child care services in your area, the STARS for KIDS NOW licensing standards program, and how you can earn an income by staying home with your own children while caring for the children of others. Find out more by calling Cheryl Endicott at (886-1280, or 888-872-7227 (toll free).

**The time to get your GED is NOW!**  
 The current test is expiring at the end of 2013 and your scores will expire too if you don't finish and pass the test by then.  
**Floyd County Adult Education** has several sites to better serve you and flexible schedules to accommodate your needs.  
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# Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

*A liberal is a man who is right most of the time, but he's right too soon.*

— Gregory Nunn

**Amendment I**

*Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people to peaceably assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.*

## Our View No one is immune to identity theft

Sen. Johnny Ray Turner

I am one of the more than 9 million people in the United States to have my identity stolen this year. However, I was more fortunate than many of the other victims because I discovered the theft early and immediately took the necessary steps to protect my finances and credit and to reduce any negative fallout.

Identify theft happens when someone uses your personal information — your name, Social Security number (SSN) or other identifying information — without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. Identity theft is big business in the U.S. — and no one is immune. Not even my fellow Eastern Kentuckians. And, sadly the number of victims continues to increase each year. An identity is stolen once every three seconds, according to the 2012 Identity Fraud Report. Social Media and Mobile Forging the New Frontier.

Identify theft is serious. It can take months and years — not to mention your hard-earned money — to undo the damage done to your credit record and clearing your name. And, while you are taking care of this problem, you can lose job opportunities, be turned down for loans, or even be arrested.

When I discovered that my personal information had been breached, I contacted Steve Pack with Pack, Jones and Associates. He knew exactly what I should do and we immediately contacted the IRS. I learned some very useful information from the IRS. Some of those tips include:

- How to minimize becoming a victim: Don't carry your social security card or any documents with your SSN on it.
- Don't give a business your SSN just because they ask — only when absolutely necessary.
- Protect your financial information. Check your credit report every 12 months.
- Secure personal information in your home.
- Protect your personal computers by using firewalls, anti-spyware/virus software, update security patches and change passwords for internet accounts.
- Don't give personal information over the phone, through the mail or on the Internet unless you have initiated the contact and are sure who you are dealing with.
- What to do if you are a victim of identity theft.
- Report incidents of identity theft to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) at [www.consumer.gov/idtheft](http://www.consumer.gov/idtheft) or the FTC Identity Theft hotline at 1-877-4338 or TTY 1-866-653-4261.
- File a report with the local law enforcement.
- Contact the fraud departments of the three major credit bureaus: Equifax — [www.equifax.com](http://www.equifax.com) or 1-800-325-6285; Experian — [www.experian.com](http://www.experian.com) or 1-888-397-3742; or TransUnion — [www.transunion.com](http://www.transunion.com) or 1-800-680-7289.

My experience was related to the IRS so I quickly learned that identity theft can impact your tax records. For instance, your social security number can be used to get a job and that person's employer would report the W-2 wages earned using your SSN to the IRS — giving the appearance that you did not report all of your income. Also, when you file, the IRS will think you have already filed and received a refund. If you receive a letter from the IRS that states that more than one return has been filed or that IRS records indicate you received wages from an employer unknown to you, be alert to the possibility of identity theft. If you think your tax records are at risk because of a lost purse or wallet or questionable credit card activity, contact the IRS Identity Protection Specialized Unit at 1-800-908-4490. For additional information, go to [IRS.gov](http://IRS.gov) (keyword identity theft). Remember, the IRS does not initiate contact with taxpayers via e-mail nor request detailed personal information via e-mail.

Senator Johnny Ray Turner represents Breathitt, Floyd, Knott and Letcher counties.

## Clarification

An editorial in last Wednesday's Floyd County Times made mention to a "policy" of not letting students take books home for study. It was not the intent of the editorial to say either the school system or any individual school had such a policy. Rather, the statement was in response to a policy adopted by certain individual teachers. The Times regrets any confusion caused.

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## A legislative perspective

Rep. Greg Stumbo  
Speaker of the House

As the debate in Washington rages over what the federal government does or what the federal government should do to avoid the so-called fiscal cliff, there is some good news when it comes to state government budgets: Most are finally seeing their bottom lines stabilizing.

Earlier this summer, USA Today reported that revenues are predicted to be at a five-year high, meaning they will finally top totals last seen before the recession began. The newspaper added that state and local government spending is being tightly controlled as well; in fact, when adjusted for inflation, it's at a level not seen since the 1980s.

Here in Kentucky, it appears that the days of cutting may be over. Their recent report highlighting the year's first three months July through September — found that state revenues grew 2.1 percent

when compared to the same timeframe in 2011.

The officials say the fiscal year's remaining three quarters are expected to grow at a slightly faster pace. If that happens, revenues will be less than \$2 million off the official estimate used to write the budget. That's just a tiny fraction of a percent when measured against the \$9.3 billion set to be collected.

The Road Fund, meanwhile, is on track as well; it's only expected to be just \$36.5 million short out of a \$1.5 billion budget.

If the overall news for the state's budget is good — at least when compared to the last several years — it's worth noting that this growth is somewhat of a mixed bag.

Corporate revenue during the first three months of the fiscal year, for example, was far ahead of where it was in 2011. At the same time, however, sales tax revenue was down — the first time that's happened in more than two years.

Money from the coal severance tax dropped significantly, but lottery proceeds showed strong growth, and that was before the recent surge in

Powerball sales due to a jackpot topping \$500 million.

The job market is seeing a similar see-saw effect. Manufacturers have added more than 17,000 jobs in Kentucky since the first of July — an eight percent increase over the same period in 2011 — but the construction industry over the past year has seen strong gains one quarter wiped out during the next. Overall, Kentucky's personal income growth is matching the national average, which shows we're not getting left behind as the country emerges from the recession.

It may be some time before Kentucky and the nation see the kind of growth we experienced prior to 2007 and especially during the 1990s, but there is silver lining in the fact that it appears the worst is truly behind us. As the state budget director wrote in her quarterly report to Governor Beshear, "Overall, the economy continues to follow a slow but measured path of recovery." In other words, the state may not be getting everything it wants this Christmas, but we know there won't be a lump of coal in our stocking, either.

## House week in review

Rep. Hubert Collins

To be sure, the 2013 Regular Session beginning the first week of January will be all about state and local government pensions and how to keep the cost of those pensions under control.

Of all eight recommendations for pension reform made by the state's Public Pensions task force last month, perhaps the one that would most impact future state hires is a proposed switch from the Kentucky Retirement Systems' (KRS) current defined pension plan to a hybrid cash balance plan for all members of the retirement systems beginning in July 2013.

Cash balance plans are a hybrid (or blend) of a defined benefit plan (which guarantees a set annuity upon retirement) and a defined contribution plan (for which payouts are variable based on investment returns). In a cash balance plan, employees would be able to purchase an annuity based on the assets in their account. The current retirement age would remain the same, as would current death and disability benefits, but the proposed hybrid plan is considered less costly to the state and more portable for employees. There would be no cost of living adjustment increase (COLA) written into state law for retirees, or employees, to further reduce employer costs and help pay down pension obligations to current employees and retirees.

For the state and those agencies under the KRS, a proposal to fully fund the state's actuarially required contribution (ARC) to the KRS beginning in fiscal year 2014 and proposed removal of the "inviolable contract" language from state law for future hires would likely have the greatest impact. A comment on the latter: The contractual language ensures all employees vested in the

Kentucky Retirement Systems' plans right now will receive a set pension at retirement. Under the hybrid cash balance plan, accrued benefits would be protected for new hires but could be changed, should the need arise.

Here are the eight recommendations, in short:

1. Phase-in of the actuarially required contribution (ARC) for KERS and SPRS. Require the state to pay the pension ARC in full starting fiscal year 2014 for both KERS and the State Police Retirement System, which is also under the KRS. Currently, full funding of the ARC is being phased in through 2025 for KERS non-hazardous, 2019 for KERS hazardous, and 2020 for SPRS.

2. Paying off unfunded liabilities (or unfunded obligations) in the KRS. The task force recommends giving KRS a new 30-year period to pay off its unfunded liabilities (or unfunded current obligations) to provide some relief. The current schedule for paying off the obligations is 26 years with the period reduced each year going forward.

3. Repeal the COLA for all employees/retirees.

4. Tighten the rules on reemployment at public agencies after retirement. Current rules require a three month break in employment before retirees in non-hazardous jobs can return to public employment with the state/other agencies in KRS. Re-employed retirees are not allowed a second retirement account. The proposed change would extend the employment break to two years (or one year for full-time hazardous plan retirees returning to full-time hazardous employment).

5. Changes proposed for pension "spiking." Employers must now pay pension contributions on additional salary earned under current state law. If proposed rules are enacted, employers would be required to pay

the cost of any salary increase above 10 percent annually given to current employees within the last five years.

6. Changing the composition of the Kentucky Retirement System Board. The task force proposed adding two members, making the current nine-member board an 11-member board that has five elected members; five members appointed by the governor, and a seat for the state Personnel Cabinet Secretary.

7. Transparency in information related to the state pension systems' financial and actuarial condition. Today, there are various statutory requirements regarding transparency and posting of data online. The proposal would also require KRS to establish a web site with information that is easily available and understood by the public.

Some of you may be asking what changes were proposed for the legislative and judicial retirement plans that many of us have heard so much about. These two plans are administered by the Judicial Form Retirement System, or JFRS. Well, for one, both plans will be closed to new participants starting July 1, 2013; with new legislators and judges required as of that date to participate in KERS under the proposed hybrid plan. Second, retired legislators and judges would no longer receive an annual COLA on their retirement benefits.

Lawmakers may also consider approving a bond issue to pay down current unfunded pension obligations, or "unfunded liabilities," in the pension system that total a combined \$19.2 billion, but that has yet to be determined. I'll share more with you next week.

Enjoy the holiday season, everyone.

# Multi-modal transport gets review by state budget subcommittee

FRANKFORT—Kentucky lags behind surrounding states in funding for non-highway modes of transportation but has opportunities to increase funding if it desires, a transportation expert from the University of Kentucky told a state budget subcommittee last week.

"We wanted to identify some of these opportunities, put them out there, so that they can be considered and ... if there are some opportunities that show promise, we can certainly do a more detailed investigation of those and determine whether they would be suitable and beneficial to the Commonwealth," UK Kentucky Transportation Center Director Dr. Joe Crabtree told the Budget Review Subcommittee on Transportation.

Subcommittee Co-Chair Rep. Sannie Overly, D-Paris, said all modes of transportation are "im-

portant to our comprehensive transportation needs in the Commonwealth."

"We spend a great deal of our time talking about the bridges and the highway system in the state, and certainly that's critical, but as you said, it is a dependent transportation system..." stated Overly.

Besides its paved highways, Kentucky relies on aviation, rail, public transit, and its waterways for transport. Yet, Crabtree said a study of these other modes of transport indicate that they receive limited state support.

Most of Kentucky's funding for planning and development of public use airports is through the federal Airport Improvement Program, which provides federal funding in exchange for state and local matching funds, Crabtree explained. But the state's ability to match federal dollars from its

14-year old aviation economic development fund has been hampered by fund transfers, he said, placing Kentucky near the bottom of the list both regionally and among four other states in utilization of AIP funds.

Opportunities to increase aviation funding include keeping state aviation economic development funds for aviation rather than transferring them elsewhere, raising or eliminating the state's per carrier cap on its tax on jet fuel, and establishing an infrastructure bank to increase funding similar to what is available in Pennsylvania or Ohio, among other possibilities, Crabtree said.

In state funding for public transit, Kentucky also is near the bottom of the list, according to Crabtree. He said per capita spending of state funds on public transit in Kentucky is less than

that in every other state bordering the Commonwealth.

"This is certainly not an indictment of public transit services in Kentucky," he said, "but if you just look at the level of investment...we rank very, very low." Possible mechanisms to boost funding include, but aren't limited to, dedicated sales tax revenue or other revenues, or utilizing available federal financing programs such as "grant anticipation notes"—notes or bonds issued by a state in anticipation of receiving federal grant funds, he said.

For rail transport, Crabtree told the subcommittee that Kentucky's opportunities may include setting up a dedicated revenue source for rail, establishing a state infrastructure bank to fund multi-modal projects, creating a passenger rail trust fund using federal dollars for passen-

ger and high speed rail, offering tax incentives for some types of rail, and seeking private/public partnerships. Kentucky may also wish to update its state rail plan, which is now a decade old, he said.

For waterway, Kentucky has over 1,200 navigable miles—Crabtree said the state could establish a dedicated water transport or maritime unit at the state level, amend state law to provide support and funding for infrastructure improvements and waterway transport using fuel tax revenue, dedicate state funds for projects at inland ports, or allow state tax credits for companies that use waterborne transport, among other possibilities.

None of the opportunities he shared with the subcommittee are to be considered legislative recommendations, Crabtree clarified.



Some of the canned food items collected at Majestic Knox Creek Elementary, in Pike County.

## UNITE Service Corps collects over 10 tons of food

Southern and Eastern Kentucky residents opened their hearts to help make the recent Thanksgiving holiday a bit brighter for many struggling families.

More than 10.3 tons of food was collected in food drives conducted by UNITE Service Corps (AmeriCorps) members and student members of school UNITE Clubs as part of the annual "Make A Difference Day."

"This is the highest total in our food drive project history," said Eugene Newsome, director of the UNITE Service Corps initiative. "I am amazed at the response from every community and am very proud of effort our Service Corps members and UNITE Club students put into this project."

Collected food — enough to feed 41,255 people in need — an 8-ounce serving — was

donated to Family Resource and Youth Service Centers, community charitable groups and/or church parishes in the communities where the food was collected.

Newsome said that Majestic Elementary in Pike County, a school with just 147 students, collected enough food to give every child's family a food basket that included a turkey.

UNITE's Service Corps finished fourth among Kentucky's AmeriCorps programs in a competition sponsored by the Kentucky Commission on Community and Volunteer Service (KCCVS), but that was with only 54 percent of the food collected counted.

"The competition officially ended on the fourth Saturday of October," Newsome noted. "Many of our schools continued their food col-

lection drives until the week of Thanksgiving."

Make A Difference Day, created by USA Weekend magazine, is one of the most widely observed national days of helping — a celebration of neighbors helping neighbors in which everyone can participate.

The goal of Make A Difference Day is to inspire and encourage local residents to participate in community service projects. Large or small, as individuals or in groups, one-day or ongoing — the nature of the service isn't as important as simply giving your time, effort, resources, skills or support to make a difference in the lives of people in your community.

For more information about Operation UNITE visit their website at [www.operationunite.org](http://www.operationunite.org).

## Floyd Students excel in academic meet

Jack Latta  
Staff Writer

Floyd County Students were recognized this week after earning high marks at a recent academic competition.

Floyd County Superintendent Henry Webb announced the results of the Kentucky Colonels Sixth Grade Showcase, an academic team competition. This competition included the following schools: Adams Middle, Allen Central Middle, Inez Middle, Warfield Middle and Wesley Christian School.

"We're glad to see that the Kentucky Association for Academic Competition recognizes the need to give opportunities for our sixth grade students to demonstrate their knowledge and skills," said Webb. "These kids and their coaches work hard to prepare for these competitions and their results are showing that dedication."

The results of the competition are as follows:

- Quick Recall Team**  
4th James D. Adams Middle School
- Composition**  
2nd Arrington Wright (AMS)  
4th Cole DeRossett (ACMS)  
6th Haley Hall n Halbert (ACMS)
- Science**  
6th Megan Music (AMS)
- Math**  
1st Cole DeRossett (ACMS)  
4th Devin Parsley (ACMS)  
5th Makayla Slone (AMS)  
5th Hannah Thornsby (AMS)
- Social Studies**  
1st Kaitlyn Johnson (AMS)  
5th Zach Cox (ACMS)  
6th Haley Shepherd (AMS)
- Language Arts**  
4th Gabbie Bates (AMS)  
5th Andrew Burchett (AMS)
- Arts & Humanities**  
4th Gabbie Bates (AMS)  
5th Andrew Burchett (AMS)  
6th Hannah Thornsby (AMS)

**FINAL STANDINGS**  
2nd Adams Middle School  
5th Allen Central Middle School

## Wreck

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Michael Shepherd.

Prestonsburg High School will be closed today, to give students an opportunity to attend the funeral.

Trooper Jonathan Dixon is investigating the accident. Dixon was assisted at the scene by Trooper David Watkins, Sgt. Chris Hollon and the Betsy Layne Fire Department.

## Court

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According to the criminal complaint, which was issued by Mayor-elect Sam Howell, James Robinson threatened to physically assault him.

County Attorney Keith

Bartley confirmed that witnesses on the county Board of Elections heard Robinson make threats to Howell before the canvass began.

Terroristic threatening is a Class A misdemeanor and could result in a \$500

fine and up to 12 months in jail. Menacing is a Class B misdemeanor, which could result in a 90-day jail sentence and \$250 fine.

Robinson is scheduled for a court date on April 29, at 9:30 a.m.



**Prestonsburg Christmas Parade**  
Friday, December 7th @ 7:00pm

**EVENING EVENTS**

6:00 pm - Line up North Arnold Avenue facing toward Prestonsburg High School  
Floats, cars, trucks, bikes, 4-wheeled and other vehicles decorated for Christmas  
Local civic organizations, bands, dance teams and majorettes

7:00 pm - Parade begins - North Lake Drive and Court Street  
Tree Lighting Ceremony - Municipal Parking Lot  
Community Sing and Fellowship - Destination Community Church  
Enjoy visit with Santa Claus - Hot chocolate, coffee and goodies will be served.  
You are encouraged to bring new unwrapped toys to donate to Shop with a Cop.

**CASH PRIZES**  
Best Business Window, Best Car, Best Float and Best Home  
Winners will be announced at Destination Community Church

**DOWNTOWN BUSINESSES WILL BE OPEN UNTIL 8:00 PM**  
For more information  
Parade - Prestonsburg City Hall (606) 886-2335  
Jennifer Gardner or Mike Vance  
Community Sing - Destination Community Church

The Parade is sponsored by the City of Prestonsburg and Destination Community Church.

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# Man leads police on chase along U.S. 23

Ralph B. Davis  
Managing Editor

PIKEVILLE — A Florida man is behind bars, after allegedly leading police on an eight-mile chase, Kentucky State Police received a report of a suspected drunk driver Thursday evening. Trooper Jamie Rose located the vehicle that was the subject of the complaint and, after some observation, turned on his lights and stopped the vehicle.

But as Rose approached the vehicle, the driver pulled away and began what would become an eight-mile chase north along U.S. 23. Sgt. Chris Hollon and Det. Jimmy Anderson also responded to the area to assist in traffic control. As the driver approached Hollon and Anderson, he lost control of his vehicle, crashing in the ditch along

the northbound lane.

Four people who were in the vehicle at the time of the chase all exited and fled the scene on foot. They were later located in the area, and police arrested 30-year-old Gary Fletcher, who they determined had been driving during the chase. Fletcher was listed by KSP as being from Jacksonville, Fla., but Pike County Detention Center records list him as being from Elizabethton, Tenn.

Fletcher was taken to Pikeville Medical Center for treatment of injuries received in the wreck. He was later released to authorities and taken to jail, where he was booked shortly after midnight.

Fletcher is charged with first-degree fleeing or evading police, reckless driving, operating a motor vehicle under the influence



Gary Fletcher

of drugs or alcohol, resisting arrest, endangering the welfare of a minor, disregarding a traffic control device, failure to maintain insurance, no registration receipt and failure to wear seatbelts. He is being held in the Pike County Detention Center on a \$5,000 bond.

Trooper Rose is continuing to investigate the incident.



A group session at Highlands Center for Autism.

## Mitch McConnell pays tribute to Highlands Center for Autism

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Highlands Center for Autism was recently honored in the Congressional Record by U.S. Sen. Mitch McConnell.

The Congressional Record is a record of the proceedings of Congress, and is published daily when one or both Chambers of Congress is in session.

McConnell paid tribute to an innovative, beneficial, and truly essential organization that serves fellow Kentuckians diagnosed with autism. The senator explained how the Highlands Center for Autism is making a significant difference in the lives of its children and families

by providing a highly structured treatment program dedicated to children with autism spectrum disorder. McConnell also acknowledged that the Highlands Center for Autism is the only program of its kind in the state of Kentucky, and has been operating for just over three years.

The Center's program director, Shelli Deskins, PhD, BCBA, is an Eastern Kentucky native who earned her undergraduate degrees from the University of Kentucky and her M.S. and Ph.D. in psychology from Auburn University. Dr. Deskins is also a Board Certified Behavior Analyst.

"I am honored to receive this national recognition from our Senator. He visited the Center in 2010 and recognized the tremendous amount of hard work that has gone into making the Center successful. The Center would not be what it is without our staff, parent, board, and most of all our children. It is a privilege to treat our children and be instrumental in the amazing progress they make." - Shelli Deskins, PhD, BCBA, Program Director of the Highlands Center for Autism.

To learn more about the Highlands Center for Autism you can visit [www.highlandsautism.org](http://www.highlandsautism.org)

## Rogers remains Appropriations chair

Ralph B. Davis  
Managing Editor

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The House Republican Conference has elected U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers to a second term as Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations.

"I am honored and grateful to have been selected by the Republican Conference to serve a second term as Chairman of the Appropriations Committee," Rogers said in response to the vote. "Over the past two years, I've been proud to oversee the Committee's

responsible shepherding of federal tax dollars under an open and transparent process saving the American tax payer almost \$100 billion.

Under House rules, committee chairmen are limited to three terms. If he remains in office, Rogers would be eligible for one more term as Appropriations chair.

"I look forward to continuing this important work on behalf of the American people, making the necessary strides to get the nation's finances on track, reducing unnecessary government spending,



U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers

and investing in important programs that will benefit the nation both now and in the future," Rogers said.

*Card of Thanks*

The families of Terry D. Bentley and Ann Bentley would like to express their appreciation for all of the kindness shown to them during their time of grief. They both passed within weeks of each other. Terry on September 26th and Ann on November 8th, 2012. We are deeply saddened, but are equally blessed by the outpouring of support we have been given. We wish to thank everyone who attended their services, those who sent food, flowers or simply said a prayer. We would also like to thank Nelson Frazier Funeral Home for their kind and professional service and the Floyd County Sheriff's Dept. for their assistance in traffic control.

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## Nursing graduate to continue education and hope for the future

PIKEVILLE — Kayla Bryant Tuers, a graduate from the Pikeville Campus, loves that she can support her family while helping others in her work as a registered nurse at Pikeville Medical Center. She came to National College right out of high school and completed the nursing program in November of 2011.

In addition to her job, Kayla is also pursuing a bachelor's in nursing through an online program with Chamberlain College of Nursing and she is on track to finish in February of 2013. "Almost all of my credits transferred and many of my classes at National in the nursing

field prepared me immensely for Chamberlain," Kayla said. After earning her bachelor's degree she plans to apply to the midwifery program at Frontier School of Nursing in Lyden, Kentucky. "I hope to get into that program and become a certified nurse midwife as well as a women's health practitioner," she explained.

Kayla said that her degree from National and her new career in nursing have had a huge impact on her family. "I work at a great facility and my family is in a much better place now. This year we have bought our first home!" she said with high hopes for her future.



"I was very blessed to attend [National]," Kayla Tuers said. "It has changed my life for the better."

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House Speaker Greg Stumbo, left, is joined by Auditor Adam Edelen to announce a bill that would firm up reporting requirements for special districts, such as volunteer fire departments, water and sewer districts, and airport and health department boards.

## Stumbo, Edelen announce bill to help address special district accountability

FRANKFORT — House Speaker Greg Stumbo and state Auditor Adam Edelen announced today that a comprehensive effort to bring greater transparency to special districts would become House Bill 1 during the 2013 Regular Session.

"Both the House and Senate reserve the lower bill numbers for their highest priorities, which underscores the importance we have for this issue," said Speaker Stumbo, D-Prestonsburg. "The legislature has debated reform before in piecemeal fashion, but the auditor's recent report on special districts is the first time anyone has gotten a comprehensive look at their true impact on the state. House Bill 1 will make sure these entities conform to the same rules that have long applied to local and state governments."

Auditor Edelen's office earlier this month unveiled a public database and accompanying re-

port that shine new light on a \$2.7 billion layer of government that has operated in the shadows for decades. The auditor's office identified more than 1,200 special districts, ranging from water, sewer and fire districts to airport and health department boards and more. They spend roughly the same as what the state spends on elementary and secondary education.

"In a time in which accountability demands precision, the people of Kentucky deserve a system of oversight for what very well may be the second-largest level of government in Kentucky," Auditor Edelen said during a press conference with Speaker Stumbo. "What we have done today is an extraordinarily important first step in making sure we've got that kind of reform."

Both Speaker Stumbo and Auditor Edelen recognized the good work done by the vast majority

of the districts, and noted that often the law itself was a hindrance, with more than 1,000 statutes governing one or more aspects of special districts. In some cases, for example, there is no way to dissolve certain special districts, while there are about 50 different ways to form one.

While the legislation is still being finalized, both officials said it would:

- Clean up the statutes that govern special districts;
- Add teeth to compel compliance with reporting requirements;
- Create an online centralized registry for special districts, to report their financials; and
- Establish education and ethics for special district board members and staff.

"We just want to clarify the rules," Speaker Stumbo said.

House Bill 1 will be formally introduced when the 2013 Regular Session begins Jan. 8.

## Stumbo announces new acting chief of staff, policy advisor

FRANKFORT — Kentucky House Speaker Greg Stumbo announced two key changes to his office Monday, with one current member becoming acting chief of staff and another hired as a senior policy advisor. Both began their new duties today.

Stewart Willis, who joined the Speaker's office in 2011 to work on such crucial issues as the Transportation Cabinet's operating budget, the state highway road plan and redistricting, is now the acting chief of staff, replacing Charlotte Ellis Land, who is retiring this month. Matt Erwin, who served as communications director for the Kentucky Democratic Party from 2010 through this year's elections, is now the

senior policy advisor for House chairman. Prior to coming to Kentucky, he worked in the Illinois House Speaker's office.

"While I will certainly miss Charlotte, who began working for me when I became House Majority Floor Leader in 1985, I have full faith in Stewart's ability to run this office smoothly as we ready for the 2013 Regular Session," Stumbo said. "I've gotten to know Matt as well over the last couple of years, and have no doubt that he will also fit in perfectly as the office's newest addition. He already knows many of the members, and his work in the Illinois House means he has a deep understanding of the legislative process."

## Enrollment events to allow out-of-work miners, spouses to sign up for job, training assistance

Nearly 1,700 Eastern Kentucky coal miners have lost their jobs in 2012 after several rounds of layoffs and mine closures. More than 400 of those miners could stop receiving Unemployment Insurance benefits at the end of this month—with about 800 more following suit in February 2013—unless Congress intervenes.

Even as those deadlines loom, help toward finding out-of-work miners new skilled job opportunities and training is in the works through the Hiring Our Miners Everyday (H.O.M.E.) initiative.

Qualified miners can sign up to get in place to receive the support and training needed to get back into the workforce at three H.O.M.E. Open Enrollment Events set for this month in Eastern Kentucky.

The sign-up events will be held:

- Wednesday, Dec. 12 — Perry County JobSight, 412 Roy Campbell Drive, Hazard
- Monday, Dec. 17 — Pikeville Campus of Big Sandy Community and Technical College, 120 South Riverfall Drive, Pikeville
- Wednesday, Dec. 19 — Harlan Extension Office Depot, 110 River Street, Harlan

The events will take place from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at each location.

Attendees should bring a valid driver's license and Social Security card.

Spouses of out-of-work miners may qualify for assistance through H.O.M.E. if they are out of work and need to return to the workforce. Other employees from closed coal operations, such as office staff and on-site support, can also sign up.

H.O.M.E. is a service of Eastern Kentucky Concentrated Employment Program, Inc. (EKCEP), a nonprofit workforce development organization that provides federally funded jobseeker and employer services in 23 Appalachian Kentucky counties.

EKCEP has applied for a multi-million dollar National Emergency Grant (NEG) from the U.S. Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration to power the H.O.M.E. initiative.

According to EKCEP Executive Director Jeff Whitehead, the need for such an initiative has scarcely been greater.

"There's an urgency for EKCEP to provide this assistance because hundreds of our region's miners are without jobs and could lose their Unemployment Insurance very shortly," Whitehead said.

"This initiative will allow us to assist our dislocated miners like we already do every day, but with a clear and direct focus on helping them rapidly find new job and training opportunities."

"We want these miners to be able to train, work, and remain here in their home region without uprooting their families for jobs in other states or regions of Kentucky," he said.

Through H.O.M.E., miners, coal company staff, and their spouses may receive:

- On-the-Job Training (OJT)
- Classroom training in basic academic skills or certification and licensing
- Skilled apprenticeships

Additionally, miners can enroll to receive assistance through EKCEP's full array of services, which include the award-winning, work-from-home Kentucky Teleworks initiative, the regional Job Clubs of Eastern Kentucky support group and employer-networking program, as well as expert-led job search and resume assistance and detailed career assessments.

EKCEP is also working to build a team of employers in the region who are willing to hire out-of-work miners enrolled in the H.O.M.E. program for skilled On-the-Job Training positions at their businesses.

These employers would agree to hire program participants in jobs for which they are suited, and H.O.M.E. would fund a significant portion of the participants' training wages.

"These miners are safety conscious, dependable, skilled team players who are capable of working in many job settings," Whitehead said. "Thanks to H.O.M.E., the miners would be earning while they're learning a new job, and their employer is able to have them on staff at very minimal cost to the business."

"H.O.M.E. truly is a 'win-win' for both sides of the workforce equation," Whitehead added. "We just need both sides of that equation to let us know they're ready to join us in rebuilding our region's economy."

For more information, H.O.M.E., please contact EKCEP's Bridget Back at 606-435-8486. Employers interested in hiring enrolled miners may contact EKCEP's Joyce Wilcox at 606-226-1597. For more on EKCEP, visit [www.ekcep.org](http://www.ekcep.org) or find us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/ekcep](http://www.facebook.com/ekcep).

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# Pros, cons of nuclear energy reviewed by state legislative panel

FRANKFORT—Nuclear power will be vital to affordable electricity generation in states served by the Tennessee Valley Authority in the near future, a nuclear operations official with the TVA told state officials Nov. 16.

TVA Nuclear Operations Support vice president Mike Lorek told the Kentucky Special Subcommittee on Energy that the agency expects to spend around \$10 per megawatt hour to produce nuclear power by 2019-2020. Coal is expected to be the next most economic generation source at \$25 to \$40 per megawatt hour, he said, with combined cycle natural gas and conventional gas turbines at the higher end of the cost spectrum at \$40 to \$50 and \$60 to \$140 per megawatt hour, respectively.

"You can see that in 2020, the dispatch costs of nuclear are way below any other source of generation, and that's one reason we believe it's going to be a vital part of our energy mix going forward," Lorek said.

The TVA is a corporation owned by the U.S. government that provides electricity for approximately nine million people in seven states in the southeastern U.S., including portions of Kentucky. Its nuclear plants add more than 6,600 megawatts of electricity to the nation's power grid.

On average nationally, nuclear was the second cheapest power produced in 2010 (behind hydroelectric) at less than two cents per kilowatt hour, followed by coal at three cents per kilowatt hour and natural

gas at nearly five cents per kilowatt hour, Lorek said.

Although many people remain concerned about nuclear plant safety because of incidents like the Three Mile Island accident in Pennsylvania in 1979, the 1986 Chernobyl disaster and the 2011 Fukushima disaster in Japan, Lorek said safety is a priority for the nuclear power industry. "We have one of the best industrial safety records of any industry in the United States," Lorek said, adding that plant evaluations and training through accredited programs keep industry standards high.

Some lawmakers questioned why Kentucky—a coal state which does not allow nuclear power generation within its borders currently—would want to change its policy on nuclear. Rep. Tom Riner, D-Louisville, asked Lorek pointedly, "Why should a coal state want nuclear power plants to compete with Kentucky coal and reduce the current energy mix...?"

Riner also expressed concerns about the industry's ability to deal with air attacks from U.S. enemies, citing an earlier comment by Lorek "we currently don't have a strategy in place for trying to prevent that from happening." That was Lorek's response to an earlier question by subcommittee co-chair Sen. Brandon Smith, R-Hazard. Lorek said a nuclear plant is a difficult target to hit and, based on a study by the NRC (Nuclear Regulatory Commission), nuclear plants are designed to withstand the

impact of being struck by an airplane.

He added that his industry has the emergency response capability to mitigate any impact, if something like that were to happen.

"I'm a pilot myself, and it looks like most of your profile is pretty low, but the most obvious is the cooling towers," Smith told Lorek, who said TVA's cooling towers aren't used for safety cooling. "If the plant is shut down and relying on safety systems to keep the core cool, we don't have to have them," he said. He added later that such an attack would not result in the release of radioactive material.

As far as prevention of such attacks, Lorek said "we all rely on the federal government to prevent those things from happening," Riner said he was not reassured.

"Knowing that right now, Iran purchases sophisticated technology and weapons systems from Russia and China, and ... what we are dealing with in the Middle East... It makes no sense whatsoever to me for Kentucky to bring nuclear power in here so that we can be targeted for something that we can't deal with," Riner said.

The TVA currently has three nuclear plant operation sites: three units at Browns Ferry in Alabama; two units at Sequoyah in Tennessee; and one unit at Watts Bar in Tennessee. A second unit is now under construction at Watts Bar (which is expected to be operational by Dec. 2015) with another plant, called Bellefonte, in the engineering phase in Alabama.

# Conway warns holiday shoppers to be wary of seasonal scams

FRANKFORT — With the holiday shopping season underway, Attorney General Jack Conway urges Kentucky consumers to be wary of seasonal scams and identity theft. A record number of consumers are turning to their smart phones, tablets and computers for their holiday shopping needs, which has scammers working overtime to develop fraudulent emails and text messages to gain access to your personal information and your identity.

"Shoppers should be leery of text messages or pop-up ads offering products such as iPads or gift cards for free or at heavily discounted rates," General Conway said. "These offers, or phishing scams, can contain a potential virus or malware that detects personal information such as usernames, passwords or even credit card details. Remember, if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is."

General Conway's Office of Consumer Protection has seen an increase in complaints related to fraudulent text messages. Some appear to come from a reputable store, while others involve sweepstakes. The text messages may indicate that consumers have won a sweepstakes or a shopping spree for purchases in a particular store. They are asked to call a number for details or respond to the text. Consumers should not provide any information to the scammer that the cell phone numbers are valid and they may attempt to use enticements to obtain personal information from the consumer.

Additionally, consumers need to be careful of malicious mobile apps designed to steal information from smartphones or distribute expensive text messages without a user's consent. Malicious apps are usually offered for free and involve some type of fun application or game.

## Beware of Seasonal Phishing Scams

Seasonal phishing scams often come disguised as requests for charitable contributions, electronic greeting cards, online shopping advertisements or credit card applications. More sophisticated scammers have even mimicked an electronic shipping update notice from com-

panies like UPS or Amazon.com.

"These fraudulent emails often contain viruses or direct consumers to legitimate-looking websites where they are asked to provide personal and financial information to scam artists," General Conway said. "Consumers who fall victim to phishing or malware scams risk having their finances compromised, identities stolen and jeopardized safety."

Tips for safe online shopping:

- Only do business with companies you know and trust and that offer secure payment processing. Look for websites that start with https, (the "s" stands for secure).

- To protect yourself against these seasonal phishing scams, verify the communication by calling the company or by logging into your account directly from the business' website.

- Never do business with someone who insists that you wire money.

- Using credit cards while shopping online can offer extra protection. Consider designating one credit card with a lower credit limit for online purchases.

- Keep personal information private. Don't disclose your address, phone number, Social Security number or bank account information to a stranger.

- Never respond to emails or pop-up ads that ask for your personal or financial information.

- Avoid storing credit card information online.

## Gift Cards

When buying a gift card, only buy from reputable sources that you know and trust. It is also wise to give the recipient the terms and conditions point of sale material, as well as the receipt confirming the amount purchased on the card. Additionally, consumers should avoid buying gift cards from online auction or "for sale" listing sites, as they can be counterfeit.

If you are the victim of a consumer scam, help is available by contacting the Office of the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Hotline at 1-888-432-9257 or by visiting [agky.gov/civil/consumer-protection](http://agky.gov/civil/consumer-protection). An identity theft packet is also available.

# Local author pens followup 'Tales'

Jack Latta  
Staff Writer

A Floyd County native recently released her second book, titled "Tales from the Hills and Hollers of Eastern Kentucky: Volume Two."

Rose O'Quinn Miller, who goes by the pseudonym Karen Quinn, a local Garrett woman, released the followup to her book "Tales from the Hills and Hollers of Eastern Kentucky" last week. Miller says her first book is currently in reprint, and will be available soon, though not in time for Christmas.

Although Miller writes under the pen name, Karen Quinn, her readers in Eastern Kentucky know her as Rose O'Quinn.

Miller said her regional books have been accepted with much enthusiasm by readers in the Kentucky and many surrounding states. Rose says that she has gone international when a friend took her book to a family in Japan.

Karen's books are on sale currently at the

Readmore Book in the Glynn View Plaza, in Prestonsburg. You may also find her second volume "More Tales from the Hills and Hollers of Eastern Kentucky" at The Light-house Christian Book Store, in Pikeville.

John Trusty, director of the Appalachian Artisan Center, said that he can't keep Ms. Quinn's books on the shelves at the Artisan Center.

Karen delights in helping her readers learn about her mountain customs of yesteryear, and does so through delightful story form.

For more information on Miller, or the books "Tales and More Tales from the Hills and Hollers of Eastern Kentucky," visit her website at [www.karensappalachia.com](http://www.karensappalachia.com).

Miller says her books are expected to be featured in "Kentucky Living Magazine" sometime this spring.

According to Miller, she signs every copy of her books that she places in local bookstores, and adds that they would make wonderful Christmas gifts.

# Filing FAFSA early helps give many students better chance at state grants

FRANKFORT — Kentucky students planning to attend an in-state college or university beginning in fall 2013 should file the 2013-2014 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as soon as possible after Jan. 1. Filing early increases a student's chance of receiving a state need-based

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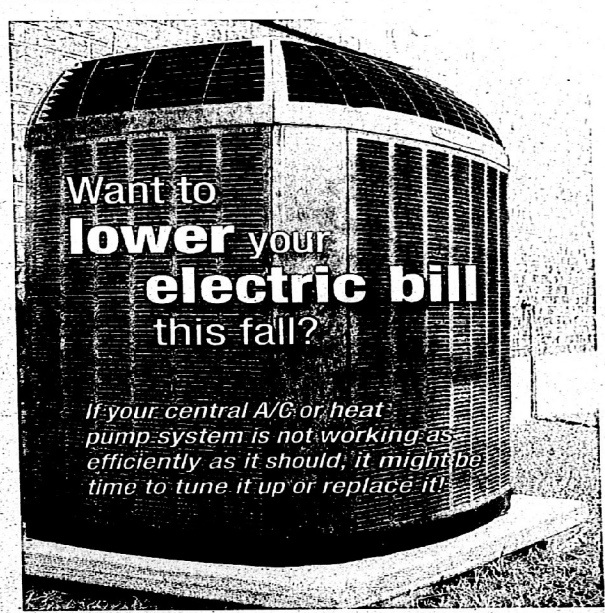
Students attending Kentucky colleges and universities may qualify for College Access Program (CAP) grants. To qualify, a student must show financial need and be enrolled for at least half-time toward an associate's or bachelor's degree. The maximum CAP Grant award is \$1,900 per year.

Students attending most of Kentucky's private colleges and universities may qualify for a Kentucky Tuition Grant (KTG) in addition to a CAP Grant. To qualify for KTG, a student must show financial need and be enrolled full-time. The maximum KTG award is \$3,000 per year.

Funding for CAP and KTG is limited, with awards made to qualifying students on a first-come, first-served basis. Award amounts may change based on available funding.

For more information about CAP and KTG, view the KHEAA-administered programs under the Paying for College section on [www.kheaa.com](http://www.kheaa.com) or email [grants@kheaa.com](mailto:grants@kheaa.com).

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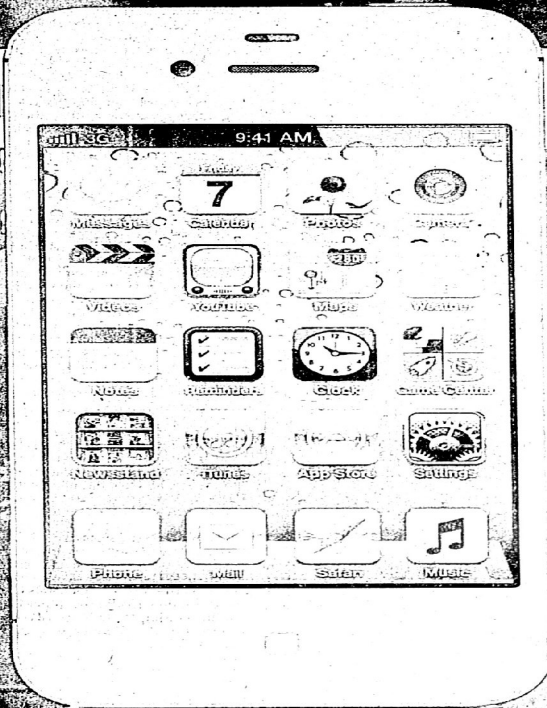
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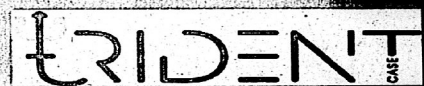
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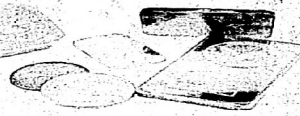
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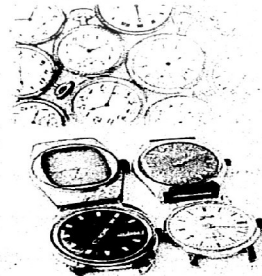
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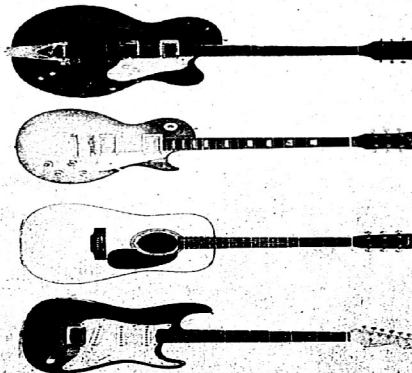


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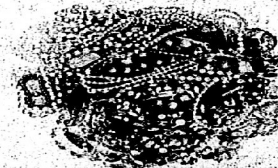
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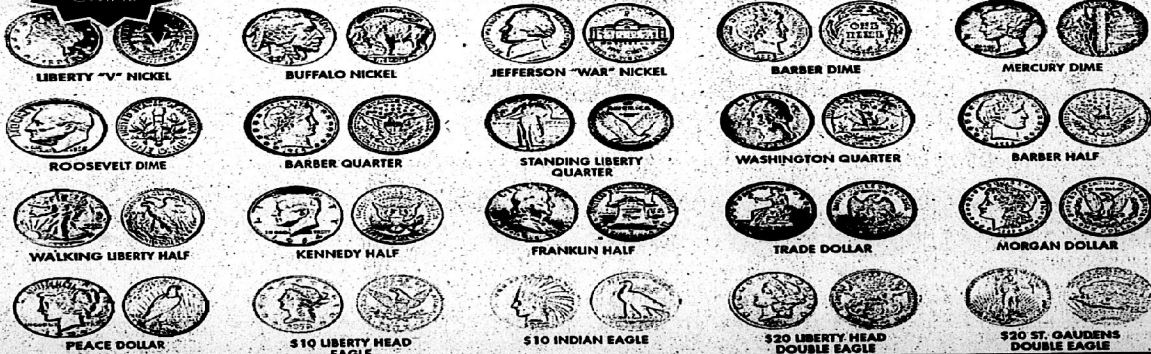
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## Allen Central knocks off 58th District favorite Betsy Layne

Steve LeMaster  
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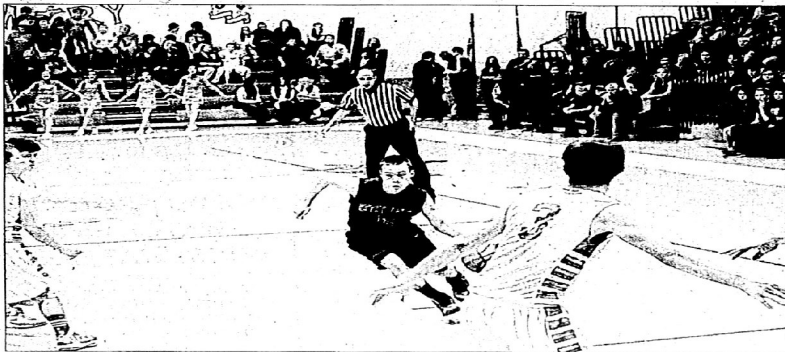
**EASTERN** — The Allen Central Lady Rebels, under the guidance of first-year head coach Derrick Newsome, dethroned Betsy Layne atop the 58th District/Floyd County Conference Friday night. Allen Central's victory over Betsy Layne snapped the Ladycats' long winning streak in

the 58th District/Floyd County Conference. Host Allen Central defeated Betsy Layne 59-54 at J.E. Campbell Arena. Hannah MacElhose led the Allen Central offensive effort with 22 points. Sarah Rife joined MacElhose in double figures, finishing with 18 points. Allen Central started fast, outscoring Betsy Layne 28-12 in the

first period. The contest, however, turned into a game of runs as the Lady Rebels cling to a 37-34 lead at halftime. Allen Central led 48-28 at the end of the third quarter. Krista Parsons, Alyssa Moore and Deshea Elliott scored five points apiece for the Lady Rebels. Allen Central, a 61-23 winner over Phelps in a season-opener

on Tuesday, Nov. 27, moved to 2-0 after posting the win. Betsy Layne dropped to 1-1 after suffering the loss. Timera Thacker led Christina Crase-coached Betsy Layne with 16 points. Thacker was the only Betsy Layne scorer to reach double figures. T.J. Tackett and Chloe Johnson both finished one shot short of double figures,

scoring eight points apiece. Brandy Morris and Bailey Reznick scored seven points apiece for the Ladycats. Paige Watkins scored six points and Kelsi Tackett tossed in two for the Betsy Layne girls' basketball team. Betsy Layne was 15-of-24 from the foul line in the district/conference game.



Betsy Layne guard Garran Newsome drove to the basket in Friday night's 58th District/Floyd County Conference game versus Allen Central.

## Bobcats build early lead, defeat AC

Steve LeMaster  
Sports Editor

**EASTERN** — Sophomore guard/forward Peyton Case poured in a game-high 28 points as Betsy Layne defeated host Allen Central 70-51 for a 58th District/Floyd County Conference win Friday night at J.E. Campbell Arena. Case led a Betsy Layne offensive effort that feature three different scorers in double figures. Charles Daniels scored 12 points and Garran Newsome netted 10 for the Bobcats. Betsy Layne shot 51.9 percent from the field, connecting on 28-of-54 attempts. The Bobcats were three-of-13 from 3-point range. Betsy Layne hit over half of its shots from the foul line, draining 11-of-20 free throws. The Bobcats moved out in front

early and managed to stretch their lead over Allen Central in each quarter. Betsy Layne outscored Allen Central 21-13 in the opening quarter and led 44-31 at halftime. Remaining ahead after intermission, Betsy Layne outscored Allen Central 12-8 in the third quarter. Dylan Meade scored nine points, Dalton Maldonado four and Dustin Rogers three for the Bobcats. Andrew Tackett and Tanner Martin each had two points for the visiting Betsy Layne boys' basketball team. Betsy Layne is scheduled to entertain Allen Central on Feb. 1, 2013. In the latest Betsy Layne-Allen Central boys' basketball matchup, Mason Nelson, Tyler Keens and Cameron Hamilton led the Rebels

with 10 points apiece. Narrowly missing double figures, Devan Horn netted nine points for the Rebels. Josh Wiley scored six points and Junior Handshoe added four in the Allen Central team's setback. Freshmen Cameron Blevins and Rico Dominguez dented the Allen Central scoring column with one free throw apiece. Betsy Layne 70, Allen Central 51. Betsy Layne (2-0) - Newsome 10, Meade 9, Case 28, Daniels 12, Maldonado 4, Rogers 3, Tackett 2, Martin 2. Allen Central (0-2) - Handshoe 4, Nelson 10, Keens 10, Hamilton 10, Wiley 6, Horn 9, Blevins 1, Dominguez 1. Betsy Layne.....21 23 12 14-70 Allen Central.....13 18 8 13-51

## Scoring outburst pushes Pikeville past Rio Grande

Times Staff Report

**PIKEVILLE** — No. 9 University of Pikeville outscored the University of Rio Grande 47-24 in the second half to pick up an 83-66 win on Saturday at the East Kentucky Expo Center. Pikeville is 11-1 overall now. The Bears will take a 4-1 Mid-South Conference record into the break. Pikeville and Lindsay Wilson trail only unbeaten Cumberland (10-0, 4-0) in the league standings. Rio Grande (3-6, 1-4) trailed 19-14 with 9:10 to play in the first half but outscored the Bears 23-9 over the next 6:30 to take a 37-28 lead with 2:40 left in the half. The Red Storm took a 42-36 lead to the break. But Pikeville came out of the locker room with a 16-2 run to regain control. Junior Brandon Greene had six points in the stretch while junior guard Josh Whitaker fired in eight, including a jumper with 13:10 to play that put the Bears on top 52-44. After shooting 43.8 percent in the first half, the Bears hit 58.1 percent in the second half to pick up the win. Senior guard Jamar Briscoe had 17 first-half points to keep the Bears in the game. He finished with 20 points and three steals to lead four players in double figures. Senior Trevor Setty and junior Darnell Tubbs had 14 points each, with Setty handing out four assists and Tubbs pulling down a team-best seven rebounds. Whitaker had 10 points and four boards. Greene, a junior from Baltimore, had nine points, six rebounds and four blocked shots. Senior point guard Chris Johnson, who had five points and two steals, handed out 11 assists to lead the team to the win. Rio Grande shot 46.2 percent overall but only 33.3 percent in the second half. It got three players in double figures, as seniors Turvell Morris and Dominick Haynes and sophomore Evann Legg had 10 points in the loss. Morris added 10 rebounds off the bench to lead the Red Storm to a 37-31 edge on the glass. Pikeville has two weeks off to deal with exams and will return to action on Dec. 15 when it hosts Life University. The game will be a rematch of Pikeville's 102-100 overtime win over the Runnin' Eagles in Marietta, Ga., on Nov. 7. The upcoming game will be played at the Expo Center with a special tip time of 11 a.m.



Alice Lloyd's Isaac Wilson defended against Kentucky Christian's Andrew Roberts during Saturday's game in Grayson.

## Eagles roll past Kentucky Christian

Times Staff Report

**GRAYSON** — The Alice Lloyd College men's basketball team exploded for 58 first half points and cruised past host Kentucky Christian University 98-61 Saturday afternoon. The Eagles dominated in the opening half. Alice Lloyd managed to double Kentucky Christian up, carrying a 58-29 lead into halftime. In the second half, ALC refused to allow KCU any chance of a comeback as it outscored its host 40-32 to increase their lead to 37 by the final buzzer. For the game, ALC connected on 61.3 percent of its shots from the floor (38-

62), including six-of-16 attempts from 3-point range. Kentucky Christian, however, shot just 30 percent (21-70) from the field and only four-of-26 from 3-point range. For the Eagles (6-5), junior guard Isaac Wilson led all scorers with 21 points. He also added a game-high four assists and contributed four rebounds. Sophomore Tyler Rogers hit seven-of-eight shots from the floor to add 15 points for Alice Lloyd in the triumph. Stuart Stamper chipped in 11 for the Eagles. Clay McKinzie paced the Knights (2-8) with 16 points.



Betsy Layne High School graduate Andrew Roberts is a freshman for the Kentucky Christian University men's basketball team.

## New lineup helps UPIKE women win

Times Staff Report

**PIKEVILLE** — Five University of Pikeville Bears scored double figures and one turned in a double-double in an 84-79 win over the University of Rio Grande Saturday afternoon. Due to a change in the lineup, Pikeville got 71 of its points off the bench, including all five double-digit scorers. The Bears have now won three times in their last four games. The game was tight throughout, with eight ties and a lead that was never more than seven points. Rio (2-6, 0-5 in the Mid-South Conference) held a 38-37 lead at the half, but the Bears shot a robust 60.9 percent from the floor in the second half while Rio Grande sank only 43.8 percent. As a result, the Bears outscored the Red Storm 47-41 after the break to pull away for the win. Freshman Peyton Wright paced Pikeville (3-5, 2-3) with 16 points and 10 rebounds. She also blocked three shots in the win. Junior Callisha Johnson also tossed in 16 points and handed out three assists for the Bears. Junior Brogan Conley and sophomore Whitney Belle Jackson scored 11 points each for the Bears. Junior Jayme Jackson added 10 points for Pikeville and led the team with four assists. Rio Grande, which made its only three-point shot in 18 tries with 38.6 seconds to play, got a game-high 28 points from junior Kate Hammond. The Greenville, Ohio, product also led her team with eight rebounds. Freshman Sarah Bonar finished with 15 points and seven rebounds for the Red Storm. Senior Sharda Morrison-Fountain added 11 points for Rio Grande in the loss. Pikeville will be back in action on Friday night when it hosts Morris College. The game, which will tip off at 7 p.m., will be played at the UPIKE Gym.

## Rogers, Hickson named ALC Athletes of the Week

Times Staff Report

**PIPPA PASSES** — Freshman Tyler Rogers and sophomore J.J. Hickson have been named the Alice Lloyd College Athletes of the Week. More on each honoree follows. Tyler Rogers led the Eagles to a convincing 98-61 victory over Kentucky Christian University by hitting seven-of-eight field goals on his way to 15 points. In a victory over Montreat College, the freshman scored 15 points, pulled down 10 rebounds and blocked five shots to lead the Eagles to a 60-46 win. Rogers is averaging 12.6 points, 6.6 rebounds and 3.8 blocks per

game. He also ranks second in the country in total blocks as well as blocks per game. J.J. Hickson: Hickson sparked the Lady Eagles to a 67-53 home victory over Ohio Christian University with 22 points. The sophomore connected on eight-of-14 shots from the field. She also drained five 3-point baskets. In a 71-64 loss to Pikeville University, Hickson finished with 14 points and four assists. Hickson is averaging 13.6 points, 2.9 rebounds and 2.2 assists per game. She is also seventh in the nation in total 3-point field goals made.

## Warford named Second Team All-SEC

Times Staff Report

**LEXINGTON** — University of Kentucky football senior offensive lineman Larry Warford has been named an All-Southeastern Conference performer by The Associated Press, the wire service announced Monday. Warford earned second-team All-SEC honors. Warford has now earned All-SEC honors for the last three years. He was named All-SEC second team by AP each of the last two seasons. In addition, he was named to the SEC All-Freshman Team by league coaches in 2009. Kentucky has had at

least one AP All-SEC second-team selection every year since 2002. Warford received high praise throughout the season from the UK coaching staff for playing with amazing skill up front. He did not allow a quarterback sack all year, grading at 90.3 percent for the season and totaling 48 knockdown blocks. Warford, who came to UK from Richmond, Ky., ended his UK career having played in 47 games with 37 consecutive starts. The senior was named SEC Co-Offensive Lineman of the Week after UK's win over Kent State, handling blocking

responsibilities on KSU's star lineman Roosevelt Nix. In the game, Warford collected eight knockdown blocks and graded out at 91.7 percent. Warford began the season on the Outland Trophy and Lombardi Trophy Watch Lists, while he was chosen as a first-team midseason All-SEC selection by Phil Steele's College Football. Warford led the UK offensive line being named game captain five times throughout the season. Warford helped UK tailbacks earn 4.9 yards per carry during the season, including rushing for 342 yards against Samford.

## Lady Eagles notch come-from-behind for win over OCU

Times Staff Report

**PIPPA PASSES** — Sophomore sharpshooter J.J. Hickson connected on five-of-nine attempts from long range to spark the Alice Lloyd College Lady Eagles to a big 67-53 come-from-behind win over the visiting Ohio Christian University Lady Trailblazers on Saturday. Alice Lloyd thrived in the opening half. The Lady Eagles managed to carry a 32-22 lead into halftime. OCU, however, opened up the last half with seven quick points. The Lady Trailblazers used the newfound momentum to outscore the host team 18-3 in the first 5:40. OCU eventually led 40-35 with 14:10 remaining. Ohio Christian held on to a 6-42 lead. Hickson connected on a big bucket to tie the score. Then, Ariel Nickell followed with two important free throws and a short jumper. The Lady Eagles went on to close the game on an 18-4 run to seal the win. For ALC (7-4), Hickson led all scorers with 20 points. Ariel Nickell pumped in 17 points and added 13 rebounds for the Lady Eagles. Nickell also dishd out four assists for the ALC women's team.



Hickson

## Pikeville rolls past Shawnee State

Times Staff Report

**PIKEVILLE** — Ninth-ranked University of Pikeville blistered the nets for 59.7 percent shooting and knocked off Shawnee State University 90-71 Thursday night at the East Kentucky Expo Center. Six Pikeville players reached double figures in the game and the home team was credited with 27 assists in the win. Pikeville (10-1 overall, 3-1 in the Mid-South Conference) trailed early after Shawnee State opened up with the first five points. It led 11-7 after freshman Nick Gouch scored on a layup. He had eight of his team's points at that juncture with 13:32 to play. From there, though, UPIKE scored 13 unanswered points. Senior guard Chris Johnson had five in the stretch while senior guard Trevor Setty added four, and when senior guard Janar Briscoe flipped in a layup with 37 left to give him 12 early markers, Pikeville's lead was 20-11. Pikeville led by 24 twice in the second

half before settling for the 19 point margin. Junior guard Darnell Tubbs paced all scorers with 19 points, leading the bench to 29 in the contest. The other five double-figures were starters. Setty flipped in 16 while Johnson and Briscoe had a dozen each. Senior forward Terrance Sainth added 11 while junior guard Josh Whitaker flipped in 10. Johnson added seven assists for the home team while Whitaker and Tubbs tossed out four each. Junior Brandon Greene came off the bench for 10 rebounds and the nation's leading shot-blocker had two in only 15 minutes of action. Shawnee State (4-3, 2-1) had one player score double figures as senior Tyler Morgan scored 14 while pulling down 12 rebounds. The guests had 10 players score and 15 set action in the loss. Shawnee State sank all 10 of its free throw shots in the game.

## No. 2 Shawnee State battles back, fends off Bears

Times Staff Report

**PIKEVILLE** — What started as a promising upset bid ended in bitter disappointment for the University of Pikeville women's basketball team, as it fell 87-76 to No. 2 Shawnee State University at the East Kentucky Expo Center Thursday night. UPIKE, which led at halftime 45-41, fell to 2-5 on the season and 1-3 in the Mid-South Conference. Shawnee State, meanwhile, saw its record climb to 3-1 (3-1 in MSC). After Shawnee took an early lead at 9-8, Pikeville went on a 25-11 stretch that took 6:42 off the clock, and when sophomore guard Christian Haney nailed a

three from the corner, the home team led 33-20 with 9:17 left. But Shawnee responded with a five-minute spurt that saw it score 21 of the next 26 to take a 41-38 lead with 1:41 left, but Pikeville scored the last seven to take a 45-41 lead to recess. Shawnee took the lead early in the second half when senior center Schera Sampson scored inside with 16:09 left to make it 51-49. It never trailed again, pushing the lead to as much as 12 before settling for the 11-point win. Sampson was rampant for Shawnee State, tallying game-highs in points (24) and rebounds (11) for a double-double despite playing only 27 minutes (including just 10 in the first half) due to early foul trouble. Sampson's fellow senior Alex Pohl had a big night as well with 18 points and eight boards, four of which came on the offensive end of the floor. Freshman guard Abby Feutcher's 3-of-5 performance from behind the arc helped her to 14 points in addition to four assists and four steals, while junior Allannah Sheets and freshman Kara Long chipped in 13 and 12 points respectively. The five Shawnee State starters combined for an impressive 81 of the team's 87 points. UPIKE's upset bid was led by an efficient night from junior Callisha Johnson, who came off the bench to lead the Bears with 16 points and shot 90 percent from the floor. Junior guard Jayme Jackson took efficiency to an even greater extreme, going 3-of-3 on three-pointers and dishd out a game-high seven assists against just two turnovers. Freshman forward Peyton Wright had 14 points and nine rebounds for the Bears. Sophomore Whitney Jackson added 13 points for Pikeville in the win.

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# MSU baseball program announces nine signees

Times Staff Report

**MOREHEAD** — Morehead State University Head Coach Mike McGuire has announced the signing of nine student-athletes for the 2013-14 school year. Wesley Drain, Matt Ellenbest, Ryan Kent, Josh Mitchell, Bryan Nacke, John Reina, Robby Spencer, Ryan VanSaghi and Jimmy Wright have all signed National Letters of Intent during the early signing period and will be joining the Eagle baseball team in 2014.

"This first recruiting class is crucial in our development as a program," said McGuire. "Once my staff was in place in July, we hit the ground running. My assistants Jeff Stanek, Adam Brown, and Graham Johnson deserve a lot of credit for their hard work on this group of early signees. We've added nine players from seven different states. A lot of time and energy goes into recruiting all over the country."

"With 11 seniors on our current club, it was very important that we add some key building blocks in this early signing period," McGuire continued. "We approached this recruiting class with a focus in a couple of key areas. First, we wanted to add some quality arms and improve our overall depth on the mound. We also knew that with two senior middle infielders it was important that we add some quality players that can play up the middle next year."

A native of Powder Springs, Ga., Drain is the shortstop for

Hilgrove High School, where he helped lead his team to back-to-back 5A Region Championships. In 2012, the Marietta Daily Journal named him to the 5A Region Honorable Mention Team.

"Wesley plays in a good high school and summer program in Marietta, Ga.," said McGuire. "He is a very good athlete who can play both middle infield spots, and runs well enough to play in the outfield as well. He should compete for a job in our middle infield next season."

Ellenbest, a right-handed pitcher, comes to Morehead State via Wabash Valley College in Mount Carmel, Ill. Originally from Medina, Ohio, Ellenbest was named one of the Top 100 Players in Ohio for 2010 by Buckeyesout.com following a high school career that saw him named High School Baseball MVP in both 2010 and 2011 by the Medina County Gazette.

"Matt comes from a very good junior college program at Wabash Valley," said McGuire. "His pitches come in the mid-to-upper 80 miles per hour range, and he has a good three pitch mix. I like strike throwers, and Matt fits that mold while also adding experience to our pitching staff."

Hailing from Winfield, Ill., Kent will add depth in the Eagle outfield next season. Last spring was a breakout season for Kent at Wheaton North High School, where he was named All-Area Outfielder, All-DuPage Valley Conference First Team, and to the 4A All-State

Team. He also set the DuPage Valley Conference single-season hits record.

"Ryan is a good athlete who can do a lot of things for us," said McGuire. "He runs very well, is a good hitter and can play in all three outfield spots. His bat and his speed should allow him to make an impact for us right away."

A product of Channahon, Ill., Mitchell is a left-handed pitcher at Minooka Community High School, where he helped lead the Indians to a fourth-place finish in the Illinois High School 4A Baseball Playoffs. Following his 2012 campaign he was named Honorable Mention All-American by Perfect Game.

"Josh throws in the mid-to-upper 80s," said McGuire. "He throws three pitches for strikes and has a very good curveball. His pitch ability should make him a factor on our pitching staff right away."

Nacke, a left-handed pitcher from Terre Haute, Ind., finished 2012 in the Top 10 in the nation in both saves and strikeouts per inning in the NJCAA while playing for Vincennes University. During his high school career he was named to the Preseason 4A All-State team in Indiana.

"Bryan comes to us from Vincennes, where he had a great season as their closer last year," said McGuire. "He throws 87-90 mph from the left side, and should have a big impact on our pitching staff next year."

A native of Douglassville,

Pa., Reina is currently a middle infielder at Daniel Boone High School. Following his 2012 campaign, Reina was named to All-County and All-Area teams, while also being selected to the Inaugural Pennsylvania Big 26 Baseball Team and the Philadelphia Phillies County Carpenter Cup Team.

"John is a switch-hitting middle infielder who handles the bat well," said McGuire. "We expect John to compete for a job in our infield right away. He is a good athlete who can play anywhere on the field."

Spencer will add further depth to the Eagles' infield next spring. He comes to Morehead State via El Paso Community College, where he was the every day shortstop last season. During his high school career, Spencer was named to the Honorable Mention 4A All-State team in 2010.

"Robby comes to us from one of the best junior college conferences in the country," said McGuire. "He had a solid freshman year and plays a steady shortstop which will add needed experience to our middle infield."

A right-handed pitcher, VanSaghi is transferring in from Illinois Central College. A native of Pekin, Ill., VanSaghi was named First-Team Mid-Illini by Prep Baseball Report in 2011. He also was selected to the Illinois Coaches Association All-Star Game.

"Ryan is an upper 80's to low 90's pitcher," said McGuire. "We feel he has not reached his

ceiling yet, and as he continues to improve and gets to that next level he will be a major contributor for us."

Rounding out the group of signees is Wright, a catcher for Madison Central High School in Richmond. Wright was named to the All-District Team, participated in the Kentucky Junior East-West All-Star Game, and was named to the Honorable Mention Perfect Game All-American Team.

"Jimmy plays for the Kentucky Baseball Club and is a good left-handed hitting catcher with some power," said McGuire. "He is a good receiver and throws well, and should compete for playing time right away behind the plate and as a designated hitter."

The Eagles will add four arms, three of which come with experience from the junior college ranks, and two of which are lefties. Morehead State also adds three middle infielders, an outfielder and a catcher who will all be expected to add some speed and athleticism to the roster.

"I believe this group of signees is a great start in fulfilling our needs for next year," added McGuire. "I'm very excited about this group of young men. They will be great additions to our program."

Morehead State will open its 2013 season Feb. 15 when it travels to Huntsville, Ala., for the Alabama A&M Invitational.

# Class A, District 8 honors announced

Steve LeMaster  
Sports Editor

**PIKEVILLE** — The All-District and Honorable Mention selections in Class A, District 8 have been announced. The top players from district

members Pikeville, South Floyd, Allen Central and Phelps make up the selections.

Pikeville ended the 2012 season as the champion in Class A, District 8. South Floyd finished as the district's runner-up.

The All-District and Honorable Mention selections follow.

All-District: Pikeville: Chase Hall, Cody Estep, Gage Morrison, Caleb Campoy, Austin Black, Jake Burke, Ben Maynard.

South Floyd: Weston Little, Blake Dye, Jimmy Helton, Austin Johnson, Mack Little, Blake Little. Allen Central: Cameron Hamilton, A.J. Beverly, Odie Walker, Austin Hall, Zach Murphy.

Phelps: Zack Avina,

Chris Stump, Ricky Adams, Calvin Gearles.

Honorable-Mention: Austin Charles, Wyatt Branham, Conner Park, Logan Coleman, Nathan Gutierrez. South Floyd: Brady Johnson, Cory Thorns-

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Allen Central: Rico Dominguez, Charles Patton, Dean Ousley. Phelps: Randy Perry, Kevin Dotson.

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If ever I want to get Brian to leave the room for some reason, I know a sure-fire way to achieve that: just pop a musical into the DVD player, and he's gone like a flash!

Our tastes are remarkably similar in many respects. For example, if there's a program about World War II on television, we're sure to be glued to the tube. The same goes for anything related to maritime history.

But when Gordon MacRae starts riding his horse through corn that's as high as an elephant's eye, that's when Brian decides it's time to go down and count all the nails in his workshop ... or some similarly urgent chore.

Not me—I'm a sucker for those corny shows where every person in a random crowd on a city street mysteriously

suddenly knows all the lyrics to whatever song is under way, plus I love all the "backstories" about the musicals. For example, have you ever heard that when Princess Elizabeth (now Queen Elizabeth II of the United Kingdom) was engaged to dashing Prince Philip of Greece and Denmark, "their song" was "People Will Say We're in Love" from "Oklahoma"?

Alas, one of my favorite bits of "musical gossip" has been debunked. I'd always heard that when "Singin' in the Rain" was being made at MGM, famed cinematographer Hal Rosson (who was, incidentally, Jean Harlow's third husband—very briefly) had to add milk to the rain to get the raindrops to show up on film for Gene Kelly's signature "Singin' in the Rain" song-and-dance routine. I thought, "What a trouper old Gene was, to be splashing around, singing and smiling, in that watered-down milk ...

which must have smelled pretty ripe after a little while under those studio lights!"

But it turns out the story isn't true. Mr. Rosson—who was nominated five times for Academy Awards, including for his stunning work on "The Wizard of Oz"—simply blocked the rain while front-lighting the performer, and the result was musical perfection!

Lately I've been humming "I've Got Plenty of Nothin'" ("and nothin's plenty for me") from "Porgy and Bess," after reading about some Agricultural Research Service (ARS) scientists who've tricked peach trees into thinking they need a lot less water to be fruitful.

Out in California's San Joaquin Valley, peach production is big business, with early-season peaches normally harvested in late May and early June. But the trees' water demand is biggest from June through September, which is precisely the time of year when temperatures and other water demands are also at their highest.

Irrigation is the only source

of water during the summer there, and while the snow pack in the Sierra Nevada has traditionally been a sufficient source for peach growers, earlier snowmelts have made water even more precious.

So the ARS scientists decided to experiment with what they call "deficit irrigation," supplying less water to a plant than it would normally need to stay healthy under optimal conditions.

The scientists irrigated a 4-acre plot of early-season peach trees from March until the May harvest. From June to September, they gave some of the trees just 25 percent of the amount of water the trees would normally receive. Other trees got 50 percent of the normal amount, and still others received 100 percent.

The scientists measured the soil water content once a week to be sure that even with periodic rainfall, the trees were given the appropriate deficit-irrigation treatments. They also used three types of irrigation systems: microspray, sub-

face drip irrigation, and furrow irrigation, in which the water is distributed in shallow canals—rows near the trees.

Choking a peach tree's water supply sounds like a recipe for disaster, but the results were surprising. While cutting post-harvest irrigation levels to 25 percent of the normal amount of water given did take its toll on the trees' yields and fruit quality in the following year, the scientists found that giving 50 percent less water than normal really didn't have major adverse effects on fruit quality and yields. What's more, the trees on the reduced-water diet required less pruning and maintenance because the deficit irrigation slowed their growth.

Who would have ever thought that even trees can "tighten their belts" when it's necessary?

The Agricultural Research Service is the chief in-house scientific research agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. You can read more about ARS discoveries at <http://www.ars.usda.gov/news>.

## Social Security News : The Medicare age is still 65

Michael W. Grochowski  
Social Security Regional  
Commissioner in Atlanta

If you're in your sixties, you probably know that the age to receive full retirement benefits has changed. But it's important to remember that the age to begin receiving Medicare has not — it is still 65. Even if you have decided to wait until after you are age 65 to apply for

retirement benefits, most people should start getting Medicare coverage at age 65.

If you would like to begin your Medicare coverage when you first become eligible, we suggest that you apply within three months of reaching age 65. You can do it online in as little as 10 minutes at [www.socialsecurity.gov/medicareonly](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/medicareonly).

At the website, you'll

find more than just the online Medicare application. You'll also find information about Medicare, and have the opportunity to watch some short videos about applying for Medicare online. One is a family reunion for the cast of The Patty Duke Show. In another, Patty Duke and George Takei go boldly where you should be going — online.

Why go online to apply

for Medicare? Because it's fast, easy, and secure. You don't need an appointment and you can avoid waiting in traffic or in line. As long as you have ten minutes to spare, you have time to complete and submit your online Medicare application.

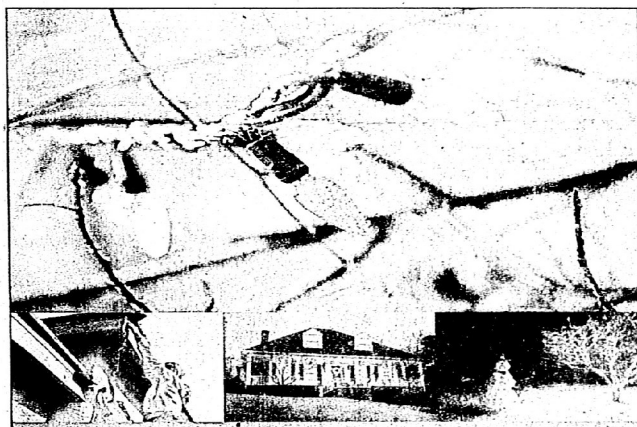
People who started receiving Social Security retirement or disability benefits before age 65 do not need to apply; they will be

automatically enrolled in Medicare.

There is no additional charge for Medicare hospital insurance (Part A) since you already paid for it by working and paying Medicare tax. However, there is a monthly premium for medical insurance (Part B). If you already have other health insurance when you become eligible for Medicare, you should consider whether

you want to apply for the medical insurance. To learn more about Medicare and some options for choosing coverage, read the online publication, Medicare, at [www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/10043.html](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/10043.html) or visit [www.Medicare.gov](http://www.Medicare.gov).

To learn more about applying for Medicare online using the online application, please visit [www.socialsecurity.gov/medicareonly](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/medicareonly).



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# OUR MEMOIRS

(Items taken from The Floyd County Times, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70 years ago.)

### 20 years ago (Dec. 9 and Dec. 11, 1992)

A Floyd County woman died Friday afternoon at the Dickey Town area of East Point after the vehicle she was driving was struck by a train. Zella Vaughan, 79, of East Point, apparently drove her vehicle onto the railroad crossing and her homes directly into the path of an on-coming CSX train. The engineer was unable to stop the train in time, and Vaughan's vehicle was struck in the passenger side. Although Allen City Commissioner Ann Bentley rescinded her resignation at the commission's regularly scheduled meeting Monday evening, the city agency is still tripped by the lack of a mayor and a forum of commissioners. Both Bentley and Mayor Pro Tem Elmer "Fudd" Parsons resigned their posts on November 13, and incoming Commissioner Chris Waugh as the sole remaining city officer. Parsons cited disagreements with City Clerk Bill Parsons as the reason for his resignation and Bentley said that her physician had advised her to resign her post due to heart and a forum of Lieutenant Governor and Secretary of Economic Development Paul Patton this week officiated a ribbon cutting and open house ceremony at the Cabinet for Economic Development's new Eastern Kentucky Department of Community Development in Prestonsburg. The office, located at 123 South Lake Drive, opened earlier this year as part of Governor Brereton Jones' economic development initiatives to help serve the state's counties. A Floyd County man filed a civil lawsuit December 3 against an unidentified Floyd County deputy jailer and the Floyd County Fiscal Court claiming he was injured in jail because of negligence. In the suit, David resident Bill Thomas Shepherd alleges that during the last weekend in May, Thursday, he was jailed on an alcohol intoxication charge, he was placed in the general population area of the jail with a violent inmate and as a result, that he was injured. Although teenage pregnancy statistics have been greatly exaggerated, Kentucky still has the second highest rate in the nation of births to teenage mothers and Floyd County has the second highest rate in the eastern part of the state. Secretary of the Cabinet for Human Resources Brad Hughes said Tuesday, that there were 181 live births to Kentucky mothers ages 15 to 19 last year and 199 births to mothers under the age of 15. Nearly 140 of those births were in Floyd County, Hughes said. There died: Estill Martin, 65, of Minnie, Sunday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Sandra Nadine Stumbo Wooten, 51, of Langley, Saturday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Zella Thomas Vaughan, 79, of East Point, Friday, in an automobile/train accident at East Point; Woodrow Jarvis, 75, of Cow Creek, near Prestonsburg, Friday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Riley Hall, 97, of Allen, Friday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Woodrow Lewis, 55, of Warsaw, Indiana, formerly of Prestonsburg, Saturday, at his residence; Ocelene Baker, 45, of Auxier, Saturday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Fred Baldrige Jr., 79, of East Point, Saturday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Ed "Ed" Leslie, 77, of Emma, Thursday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Maggie Dixon, 67, of

Wayland, Wednesday, at her residence; Virgie Olive, 74, of Lexington, Wednesday, at her residence; 103, of Winston Salem, North Carolina, formerly of Drift, Wednesday, at Meadowbrook Manor; Clemmons, North Carolina; Alex Montival Johnson Sr., 75, of Ashland, Thursday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; The Rev. Leo Bradford, 29, of Robinson Creek, December 9, in Robinson Creek; Maxie L. Paige, 46, of McDowell, Tuesday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Janet Perry Deal, of West Haven, Connecticut, November 3, in Connecticut; Rev. Hampton H. Ratliff, 74, of Marion, Ohio, Tuesday, at Med-Center Hospital, Marion, Ohio.

### 30 years ago (December 15, 1982)

Paul Thompson and Paul Hunt Thompson, father-son owners of Thompson's IGA grocery stores, announced the beginning of work on the development of a Lancer Springs Hotel complex. Jenny Wiley Village, which will involve the expenditure of approximately \$500,000; Phase I is expected to be completed in May, 1983. Trial of James Messer, former Johns Creek resident, in U.S. district court at Pikeville on a federal indictment alleging possession of a firearm involved in interstate commerce by a convicted felon, has been scheduled for Valentine's Day. The state Alcoholic Beverage Control Board will not reconsider the issuance of package liquor licenses to this county, nor will the ABC commissioner meet with Floyd residents to explain the matter. There died: E. W. (Gene) Hays, 71, of Harlow, last Wednesday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Wade Stratton, 55, of Banner, Friday, December 3, at his home; Norma Akers, 85, of Weckow, last Friday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Adn J. Moore, 83, of Harlow, Thursday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Donald Foster, 44, of Garrett, November 30, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Flora May Crum, 69, of Martin, Monday, at her home.

### 40 years ago (December 13, 1972)

Between January 15 and April 1, next year, the Social Security Administration will establish an "inflation model." Three alarms and the threats of pranksters kept Prestonsburg freemen busier than usual last week. The Prestonsburg's secondary sewage treatment plant ready for final approval. City Council members learned Thursday night of a federal grant which will cover 75 percent of the cost... Floyd county and its four incorporated population centers received this week a total of \$161,527 in federal revenues sharing funds. Ernest DeCoursey, of Estill, a reclamation inspector for the Kentucky Department of Natural Resources, has received an award from the department. Efforts are being made to bring to Floyd county the "Meal on Wheels" program. The lighting of 2,000 candles will be a feature of the Birthday Party for Christ to be held at the parking lot opposite the courthouse here, Dec. 22. There died: Mrs. Geneva Johnson, 41, of Huntington, Indiana, formerly of Garrett, Wednesday; Mrs. Anna Akers, 77, of Drift, December 2, at a Martin hospital; Dayton Joseph 57, of Prestonsburg, Sunday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Mrs. Dixie Holt, 52, of Robinette, W. Va., formerly of this coun-

ty, Dec. 1; Mrs. Amma Burchett, of Ivel, Thursday, at her home; Mrs. Anna H. Feller, 78, of Prestonsburg, Wednesday, at a nursing home, here; Mrs. Minnie Hale, of Lexington, formerly of Prestonsburg, Dec. 2, at a Lexington hospital; Mrs. Lullie S. Hatfield, 74, of Water Gap, Saturday, at Prestonsburg hospital; Milford Crafts, 58, of Fritchard, W. Va., formerly of Prestonsburg, Monday, in Huntington; Ray Dameron, Comptroller, 59, of Clayport, Indiana, formerly of Spurlock, November 28, at his home; Silas Howard, 76, of Silas, formerly of this area, Friday, in Warsaw, Indiana.

### 50 years ago (December 13, 1962)

Pending negotiations scheduled at Pikeville Friday, picketing was called off Sunday in Floyd and other counties. A two-inch snowfall, icy roads and near-zero temperatures slowed Floyd County motorists. A pre-Christmas vacation from school to 12,000 youngsters. The New York and Chicago offices of the Columbia Broadcasting System have been swamped with telephone calls offering food, money and clothing to unemployed miners of Eastern Kentucky. Governor Bert Combs was advised Wednesday. The home of Charles Litteral was destroyed by fire at Auxier, Tuesday, midnight. There died: William A. Burchett, 72, of Cliff, Sunday, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Mrs. Loucretia Baldrige, 80, last Wednesday, at the home of a son, Nelson Baldrige, on Little Point; Mrs. Laura Lewis Jarvis, 80, of Emma, last Wednesday; George Kates, 67, of Bypro, last Monday at home; Mrs. Mary Vanover Eaton, 87, Sunday, Dec. 2, at her home at Melvin.

### 60 years ago (December 11, 1952)

Radio Station WPTD, Prestonsburg, went on the air, last Friday noon. An interest saving of 1.50 to 1.75 on a \$44,000 county debt was effected Monday. The Conservation Service to make a study of the Dewey Lake area with a view of founding a state park there. The Bank Josephine Bank to reorganize its banking department, at an estimated cost of \$75,000. Joseph D. Harkins, Sr., chairman of the board of directors, said this week. Gomer R. Martin Jr., commander of the 10th district American Legion, and Mrs. Virginia A. Draughn, president of the 10th district American Legion Auxiliary, announced plans this week for a two-day joint gathering of Posts and Units of the district at Martin this weekend. Biggest item on the \$3,630 budget of the Floyd County Fish & Game Club for the county was \$1,800 earmarked for restocking of Dewey Lake with bass and walleye. Born: To Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Stone, of David, a son, Carl Gregory, December 5; to Mr. and Mrs. Franklin W. Moore, of Prestonsburg, a daughter, Laura Ellen, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital, December 9; to A-C and Mrs. Clinton E. Porter, of Luke, Phoenix, Arizona, a son, Clinton E. Porter, III, November 27; to Carlisle, Pennsylvania. There died: Ismael Worth Patton, 49, of Glo, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Lexington, December 5; Henry Allen, 54, of Lacey, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin, Wednesday; Lewis Cooper, 41, Decem-

ber 9, at Lexington.

### 70 years ago (December 10, 1942)

An executive order of President Roosevelt was issued this week, instructing Selective Service board not to induct registrants 38 years of age or older. Registration of all male citizens 18 years old for possible military service will begin Friday. President Roosevelt has requested an end to the WPA program, the elimination of which will affect only 135 men in this county, presently employed on road projects. With Floyd county residents having been asked to buy \$403,500 worth of Victory Bonds before December 18, as their part in the nation-wide Victory Loan drive to obtain \$100,000,000 for the Floyd fiscal court and two Prestonsburg banks have purchased \$50,000 worth of Bonds each. Burned by an explosion of gas in her home at Glo, Thursday of last week, Mrs. Hattie Williams, 64 years old, died four hours later at

the Martin General Hospital. The Prestonsburg City Council, in complying with a suggestion of the federal government for fewer traffic lights in an effort to economize on electricity, decided to have the May Trail-Dingus street traffic light removed. Mothers of soldiers have been asked to assist next Tuesday in the sewing of surgical dressings. Married: Miss Grace Mitchell, of West Prestonsburg, and Mr. S. Bland, Jr., of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, at Louisville, Kentucky, November 28; Miss Florence Crook, of Meridian, Mississippi, and Mr. Dick Mayo Allen, of Prestonsburg, now serving at Camp Pickett, Virginia, at Fleming, Kentucky, November 21; Miss Patricia Salisbury of Hutton, Massachusetts, and Mr. Hershel Begley, of Prestonsburg, at the Union Congregational Church,

Boston, November 30. Born: To Mr. and Mrs. Jess Howell, of Newport News, Virginia, Mrs. Howell formerly of Maytown, a son, Thomas Everett, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital, Thanksgiving Day; to Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Hall of McDowell, a daughter, December 6; to the Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Hahn, of Maytown, twin sons, Richard Donald and Charles Ronald, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin, Tuesday; to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Spencer, a daughter, Gloria Jean, at the Paintsville Hospital, Sunday; to Mr. and Mrs. Brady Shepherd, a daughter, Edna Arnold, December 2. There died: Samuel Beecher Hamilton, 49, formerly of Honaker, at Detroit, Michigan, November 26; Ed Stephens, 74, Floyd native, at his home at Salyersville, Wednesday; Oliver Hall, 39 years old, of Weckow, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin, Wednesday; Sam Jarrell, 64, at his home at Cracker, Wednesday.

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### Legals

#### 836-0363 NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that PIA company, inc., P.O. Box 1590, Prestonsburg, KY 40360, has applied for Phase I bond release on Instruments No. 1 and 2 of Permit No. 836-0363, which was last issued on June 11, 2007. The bond was for an area of approximately 27.06 and 10.32 acres respectively and are located 0.60 miles east of Minnie in Floyd County, Kentucky. The surface area is owned by Yabroff.

The operation is located on Simpson Branch approximately 0.40 miles southeast of Simpson Branch and County Road's junction with KY RT 206, and 0.6 miles south of Drift in Floyd County, Kentucky.

The bond now in effect for Instrument No. 1 is a certificate of deposit in the amount of fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000.00) and a Bond Pool bond in the amount of sixty eight thousand dollars (\$68,000.00). The bond now in effect for Instrument No. 2 is a certificate of deposit in the amount of five thousand and five hundred dollars (\$5,500.00) and a Bond Pool bond in the amount of twenty eight thousand and six hundred dollars (\$28,600.00). Approximately sixty percent (60%) of the original bond amount for Instrument 1 being \$49,200.00 and for Instrument 2 being \$29,400.00 is included in this application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, grading, seeding and mulching. This work was completed for Instrument 1 in October 2008 and for Instrument 2 in March 2009.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Kentucky Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 27 40601, by December 18, 2012.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for December 9, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. or so thereafter as may be heard at the Department of Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Office, #160 South Lake Drive Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 40363. This hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by December 18, 2012.

This is the final advertisement of the applicant. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 27, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 40601 by December 18, 2012.

### Legals

#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II C.A. NO. 12-CI-00098

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON (fka THE BANK OF NEW YORK AS TRUSTEE FOR THE HOLDERS OF CWABS, INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-6 PLAINTIFF

VS.

TRACY HALL, ET AL DEFENDANTS

#### RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 13th day of April, 2012, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, in the principal amount of \$126,000.00 with interest thereon, please be advised that shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the old Floyd County Justice Center), the highest and best bid, at public auction, on the 13th day of December, 2012 at 10:30 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description of the following described property, to wit: Property Address: 1184 Kentucky Route 3379, Grethel, Kentucky 41631.

Parcel No.: 096-00-00-058.00

Legal Description: The following described property located in Floyd County, Kentucky, to-wit:

Beginning at a Stake at the property owned by Joe Newsome and Josephine Newsome; thence running North along Route 3379, 80 feet to County Road; Thence running West 270 feet to the Creek; Thence, running South 60 feet to the Line of Joe Newsome and Josephine Newsome Line; Thence Turning East 270 feet to the beginning.

There is excepted out a 12 Ft. existing road for egress and ingress.

Being the same property conveyed to Tracy Hall, no marital status shown who acquired title by virtue of a deed from Shirley F. Hamilton and John M. Hamilton, wife and husband, dated February 2, 1965, recorded in Book 2007, recorded in Deed Book 533, Page 235, County Clerk's Office, Floyd County, Kentucky.

Subject to all restrictions, conditions and covenants and to all legal highways and easements.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on a credit for thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes and assessments upon the property for the current year's property taxes and all subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds, in writing, on or before March 20, 2007, recorded by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Hon. William S. Kendrick, Floyd County Master Commissioner

Legals

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION NO. I
C.A. NO. 09-CI-00586

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION PLAINTIFF

VS.

ROBERT M. WILLIAMS, ET AL DEFENDANTS

RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 31st day of October, 2012, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, in the principal amount of \$114,625.21, with interest thereon, plus additional sums and costs, please be advised that I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 13th day of December, 2012 at 9:45 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the following described property, to wit:
Property Address: 178 Leslie Lane, Prestonsburg, KY 41653
Parcel Number: 061-30-01-003.00

BEGINNING at a concrete post in the Southwest corner of the property conveyed from L.C. Leslie to Frank Leslie; thence in an Easterly direction 108 feet to the LCL Drive; thence at a right angle in a Northernly direction 128 feet following LCL Drive; thence at a right angle in a Westerly direction 108 feet; thence at another right angle in a Southerly direction 128 feet to the beginning corner, this being a lot of land 108' x 128'; the Northern boundary being bounded by Darrell K. Leslie, which is to be known as Lot #2.

Being the same property conveyed to Robert M. Williams and Kelly Williams, his wife, by virtue of a deed from Dinah Lynn Vanhoose, widow, and Charles E. Vanhoose, her husband, and Carrie Gene Sparks and Carol Sparks, his wife, and Sue Melvin Tobin and Stuart Tobin, her husband, and Pauline Wells and Bill Wells, her husband, McKinley Sparks, Jr., and Diane Sparks, his wife, and Wheeler Branham, widower, Larry Branham, single, and Belinda Branham, single, dated June 7, 2004, filed July 10, 2004, in Deed Book D489, Page 392, County Clerk's Office, Floyd County, Kentucky.

Subject to all restrictions, conditions and covenants and to all legal highways and easements.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on a credit for thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional security.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year real estate taxes and all subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof. Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Hon. William S. Kendrick, Floyd County Master Commissioner

Legals

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION NO. I
C.A. NO. 11-CI-00861

CITIMORTGAGE, INC. PLAINTIFF

VS.

FREDDIE BRYAN OSBORNE
PEBBLE OSBORNE
CAPITAL ONE BANK DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 29th day of August, 2012, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, for the sum of \$64,496.93 with interest thereon, plus additional sums and costs, please be advised that I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 20th day of December, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the following described property, to wit:
Property Address: 668 Calf Branch, Prestonsburg, KY 41653

A certain tract or parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Calf Creek at Emma, and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the fence post on Sharon Burchett's line and running down the creek 107 feet; Carl David Collins and Launa Collins line on the corner; thence across the bottom 21 feet running with Collins line; thence running 125 feet to the backside of the bottom to the hill; thence running 55 feet along with Collins line to Burchett line a corner; thence running 100 feet along the Burchett line to the beginning.

Parties of the First Part also grant unto the Parties of the Second Part, their successors and assigns, a perpetual right-of-way to the above described property as follows:

Beginning at the corner of the above described property and the Collins property line being right-of-way 12 feet in width running with the property line of Collins to the county road.

Being the same property conveyed to Freddie Bryan Osborne and Pebble Osborne, his wife, from Winnie Garrett and Jo Ann Garrett, his wife, by Deed dated September 4, 1987, and filed for record on September 4, 1987 in Deed Book 313, Page 46 of the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of \$5,000.00 of the purchase price with the balance on a credit for thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional security.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year real estate taxes and all subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof. Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Hon. William S. Kendrick, Floyd County Master Commissioner

Legals

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION NO. II
C.A. NO. 12-CI-00228

FIRST COMMONWEALTH BANK OF PRESTONSBURG, INC. PLAINTIFF

VS.

SARAH L. HICKS and UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SARAH L. HICKS; TAX EASE LIEN SERVICES, LLC; KENTUCKY PROPERTY TAX SERVICES; CARDINAL LIEN SERVICES; and FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale (IN REM) of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 22nd day of August, 2012, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, in the principal amount of \$25,500.07 with interest thereon; please be advised that I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 11th day of December, 2012 at 9:15 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the following described property, to wit: Two certain tracts or parcels of land located in Floyd County, Kentucky and more particularly described as follows:

TRACT NO. 1
A certain tract or parcel of land being in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Cow Creek and thus described as follows:

Beginning at a corner stake at the County Road; thence 100 feet down Cow Creek to a stake; thence 80 feet to the base of the hill to a stake; thence 97 feet up the hill to a stake; thence 92 feet back down the hill to a stake at the foot of the hill; thence 89 feet back to the beginning.

As easement is hereby conveyed across the property for a water line beginning at the County Road and running 15 feet in to said property.

TRACT NO. 2
Beginning at a metal stake at the up southwestern corner at Charles E. Wright's property line; thence 385 feet down Cow Creek to a stake; thence up the hill to a stake; thence up the hill the line fence approximately 500 feet to an oak tree with an "X" and metal stake adjoining Larry Blackburn's property line; thence back approximately 500 feet to the point of beginning so as to contain 2 acres, more or less.

Being the same property conveyed to Sarah L. Hicks, single, from Rex Johnson and Belinda Johnson, his wife, by deed dated July 31, 2002 and appearing of record in Deed Book 489, Page 594, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on a credit for thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional security.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year's property taxes and all subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof. Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Hon. William S. Kendrick, Floyd County Master Commissioner

Legals

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION NO. I
C.A. NO. 12-CI-00495

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. PLAINTIFF

VS.

DEBBIE BURKE aka DEBORAH S. BURKE, ET AL DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 21st day of September, 2012, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, in the principal amount of \$111,615.65 with interest thereon; please be advised that I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 20th day of December, 2012 at 9:45 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the following described property, to wit:
Property Address: 52 Country Lane, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653
Map ID: 013-00-00-010.06

The following tract of land located in Floyd County, Kentucky, which is more particularly bounded and described as follows:

A tract of land being a portion of Lot No. 3 of the Division of the Dona and Ellen Holbrook tract surveyed by Larry M. Fitch, P.L.S., and located on the West Side of KY Route No. 1750 on Abbott Creek, 0.6 miles North of intersection with Route 1427 at Bonanza in Floyd County and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the south side of a 20 foot easement and bearing S 07 degrees 29' 03" W 147.18 feet to the Lot line of No. 3 and 4 of the Holbrook Subdivision; thence with the Lot line N 79 degrees 32' 14" W 100.05 feet; thence leaving the line and crossing Lot 3 N 7 degrees 29' 03" E 148.08 feet to the South side of an easement; thence with the easement S 80 degrees 09' 56" E 100.00 feet to the point of beginning and containing 0.34 of an acre.

Being the same property conveyed to James Burke and Debbie Burke, his wife, who acquired the same with rights of survivorship, by virtue of a deed from Johnny McKinney and Charla McKinney, husband and wife, dated July 21, 2005, filed July 25, 2005, recorded in Deed Book D415, Page 339, County Clerk's Office, Floyd County, Kentucky.

Subject to all restrictions, conditions and covenants and to all legal highways and easements.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on a credit for thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional security.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year's taxes and all subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof. Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Hon. William S. Kendrick, Floyd County Master Commissioner

Legals

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION I
C.A. NO. 08-CI-01529

TAYLOR, DEAN & WHITAKER MORTGAGE CORP. PLAINTIFF

VS.

LOIS HONEYCUTT DEFENDANTS

RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Revised Final Judgment and Order of Sale referring to Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 21st day of September, 2012, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, in the principal sum of \$103,372.54, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 13th day of December, 2012 at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the following described real estate lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Located Northwest of the adjacent to Bear Hollow, Floyd County, Kentucky. Any corner in this description listed as being marked by "iron pipe (set)" (imp. pipe) shall be replaced by "iron pipe (set)" with a plastic cap bearing the marking "KY LS1893"

Beginning at an iron pipe (set) on access road. Thence with the Hall & Hyton Development, Inc. (DB 442, pg 518) and Bear Hollow, South 64° 25' 20" West, 130.38 feet to an unmonumented point in Bear Hollow. Thence leaving Hall & Hyton and Bear Hollow and with lot 3, North 39° 47' 17" West, 527.02 feet to an iron pipe (set). Thence North 39° 47' 17" West 60.60 feet, to an iron pipe (set). Corner Lot B. Thence with the access road and leaving lot B, North 39° 47' 17" West, 97.57 feet, to the beginning, containing 12.3773 sq. ft. (0.278 acre) as shown on Nesbitt Engineering, Inc. Drawing no 3771 and recorded in Floyd County clerk files at map file no. 2012-027-02. This description was prepared by K.L. Baldridge, PLS 1893 on October 25, 2000.

Being the same property conveyed to Lois Honeycutt, NO marital status given, from Hall & Hyton Development, Inc., by Deed Dated September 25, 2007, recorded in Deed Book D489, Page 25, 2007 in deed book 529, page 326, Office of The Floyd County Court Clerk.

Also conveyed with this property is a 2007 England Manufactured Home, having serial number of CV07AL270727AB, by virtue of an affidavit of conveyance filed on October 29, 2007, in book MC 12, page 87, Office of The Floyd County Court Clerk.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on a credit for thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional security.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year real estate taxes and all subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof. Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Hon. William S. Kendrick, Floyd County Master Commissioner

Legals

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION NO. I
C.A. NO. 10-CI-825

BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. fka COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. PLAINTIFF

VS.

MICHAEL STANLEY MELISSA C. STANLEY DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 21st day of September, 2012, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, for the sum of \$199,101.18 with interest thereon, plus additional sums and costs; please be advised that I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 20th day of December, 2012, at 9:00 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the following described property, to wit:
Property Address: 191 Armory Road, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

A certain tract or parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Lick Branch, a tributary of Big Sandy River, and further described as follows:

Beginning at road opposite honey locust (elm tree) and Bling-bling's line and running with the road to a drain opposite Elzie Whitaker's house beside driveway; thence running in straight line to the top of hill; thence running with ridge back to Kingham's line and down the hill to the place of beginning.

Excepted therefrom the following out conveyance to Kathy Ann Phillips and Johnny Bruce Phillips by Deed dated 5/9/2008 in Deed Book 513, page 498 of the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

Beginning at a stake on Armory Road; thence running up toward the hill between the house being purchased with this tract of land, referred to as the rd house, and the house currently owned by Pamela G. Hazeltine G. Hazeltine, being 22 inches for the red house and 6 feet from Pamela G. Hazeltine's house and continuing with said line to the top of the hill; thence turning at a right angle and running down the hill, adjoining the creek, to the double wide, approximately 59 feet to a metal stake on the shared driveway between this tract of land and the double wide tract; thence running with said stake on Armory Road approximately 31 feet to the point of beginning.

Being the same premises conveyed to Melissa C. Stanley and Michael Stanley from Pamela G. Hazeltine, a single person by Warranty Deed dated 1/22/2007 and recorded 1/5/2007 as Instrument or Book/Page No. 531/215 of the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on a credit for thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional security.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof. Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Hon. William S. Kendrick, Master Commissioner

Legals

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
MAGOFFIN CIRCUIT COURT  
C.A. NO. 12-CI-00070**

**COMMUNITY TRUST BANK, N.A. PLAINTIFF**

**VS.**

**CIRCLE J FARM A/K/A CIRCLE J FARMS, INC.;  
B.T.U. GAS COMPANY, INC.;  
RICHARD WILLIAMS;  
PAMELA WILLIAMS A/K/A  
JEAN WILLIAMS A/K/A PAMELA JEAN WILLIAMS**

**TAX EASE LIES SERVICING, LLC;  
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY  
OF FLOYD;  
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY  
OF MAGOFFIN;  
O. LEE GUSSLER, TRUSTEE OF THE LEE  
GUSSLER  
REVOCABLE TRUST;  
PAUL W. BLAIR;  
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY  
OF BOYD;  
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY  
OF ASHLAND DEFENDANTS**

**NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

By virtue of a Default Judgment, Judgment on the Pleadings, Order Adjudicating Liens and Order of Sales entered in Magoffin Circuit Court on the 12th day of September, 2012, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, in the principal amount of \$74,021.82 with interest thereon, I will execute the sale and the Trustee of the Lee Gussler, on Thursday, December 13, 2012 at 9:15 a.m., the following described property:

**PARCEL NO. 1:**

Being the same property conveyed to B.T.U. Gas Company, Inc. from Merle May and Clara Deanna May, his wife, by deed dated August 5, 2005, of record in Deed Book 515, Page 600, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk, and being a certain tract or parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, particularly as follows: Lot No. 3, which is more particularly described as follows:

**Bottom Lot No. 3**

Being a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Floyd County, Kentucky and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at an iron pin (all iron pins referred to in this deed are 5/8" x 18" rebar with plastic cap, stamped Waltorn 3682) set on the right of way of KY Route 1210, said iron pin being a common corner between lots 2 and 3. Thence with the right of way South 47 degrees 53 minutes 06 seconds East 179.00 feet to an iron pin, being a common corner between lots 3 and 4; Thence leaving the right of way and with the line of lot 4 South 36 degrees 46 minutes 16 seconds West 72.00 feet to an iron pin, South 67 degrees 46 minutes 16 seconds West 500.00 feet to an iron pin; thence leaving the line of lot 4 and with the Floyd County Courthouse line North 08 degrees 28 minutes 08 seconds West 108.68 feet to an iron pin, being a common corner between lots 2 and 3; Thence with the line of lot 2 the following two courses, North 61 degrees 30 seconds 43 seconds East 420.00 feet North 32 degrees 30 minutes 43 seconds East 260.00 feet to the point of beginning containing 2.38 acres, per survey of Waltorn Engineering, Inc., as shown on Map File 1254 office of the Floyd County Clerk.

For further reference see Affidavit of Descent for Marvin P. May of record in Deed Book 512, Page 412, and Affidavit in Aid of Title of one May of record in Deed Book 515, Page 412, both in the office of the Floyd County Clerk.

**PARCEL NO. II:**

Being the same property conveyed to B.T.U. Gas Company, Inc. from Merle May and Clara Deanna May, his wife, by deed dated July 9, 2005, of record in Deed Book 514, Page 699, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk, and being a certain tract or parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on the right fork of Beaver Creek near the mouth of Stephens Branch, particularly a part of Bottom Lot No. 4, which is more particularly described as follows:

**BEGINNING AT AN IRON PIN WITH PLASTIC CAP STAMPED WALTORN 3682 SAME IRON PIN BEING ON THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF HIGHWAY 1210 AND A COMMON CORNER TO BOTTOM LOTS 3 AND 4. THENCE WITH RIGHT-OF-WAY OF HIGHWAY 1210 SOUTH 48 DEGREES 08 MINUTES 36 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 70.00 FEET TO AN IRON PIN WITH PLASTIC CAP, STAMPED WALTORN 3682. THENCE SOUTH 39 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 16 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 272.00 FEET TO AN IRON PIN WITH PLASTIC CAP, STAMPED WALTORN 3682. THENCE NORTH 48 DEGREES 06 MINUTES 36 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 70.00 FEET TO AN IRON PIN WITH PLASTIC CAP STAMPED WALTORN 3682 AND BEING ON THE LINE OF LOT 3; THENCE NORTH 36 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 16 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 272.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.**

**THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PARCEL CONTAINS 0.44 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, per survey of Waltorn Engineering, Inc., as shown on Map File 1253 office of the Floyd County Clerk.**

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on a credit for sixty (60) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and all subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

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Hon. William S. Kendrick, Floyd County Master Commissioner

Legals

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT  
DIVISION NO. 1  
C.A. NO. 12-CI-00134**

**TAX EASE LIES SERVICING, LLC PLAINTIFF**

**VS.**

**KEVIN HALL, ET AL DEFENDANTS**

**NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

By virtue of a Default Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 8th day of August, 2012, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, for the purchase of a Certificate of Delinquency for the 2008 tax bill, in the sum of \$768.41, plus fees and costs, with interest thereon at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum until paid, and reasonable attorney fees expended, including any court costs and filing fees expended herein, please be advised that I shall proceed to offer for sale at a public auction, on the 13th day of December 2012 at 9:00 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the following described property, to wit:

Property Address: 2924 KY Route 979, Harold, Kentucky 41638  
Map ID: 095-00-00-053-00

Beginning at culvert; thence running up the hill with Melvin Frazure's line to the top of the point; thence down the point with Anthony Hamilton's line to a dead oak tree, thence down the hill to a dead oak tree and a drain; thence with the drain to the highway; thence up the highway to the place of beginning.

Being the same property conveyed to Kevin Hall and Shiron Hall, by deed dated February 25, 1997, recorded in Deed Book 405, Page 361, Office of the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

Also included in this sale is a manufactured housing being a 1977 14' x 44' C. G. Johnson Mobile Home with the VIN#CAL57613AB.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on a credit for thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and all subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

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Legals

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT  
DIVISION NO. 1  
C.A. NO. 12-CI-00265**

**PILGRIM ENERGY, INC. PLAINTIFF**

**VS.**

**ANNA BELLE STRANGE, ET AL DEFENDANTS**

**NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

By virtue of a Default Judgment, Summary Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 16th day of August, 2012, in the above cause, in the following amounts: 1) \$59.29 being Pilgrim's acquisition cost of the 2004 tax bill; 2) \$2.72 being Pilgrim's acquisition cost of the 2007 tax bill; 3) \$50.76 being Pilgrim's acquisition cost of the 2001 tax bill; 4) \$59.90 being Pilgrim's acquisition cost of the 2003 tax bill, plus additional sums and costs, please be advised that I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 13th day of December, 2012 at 9:30 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the following described property, to wit:

A 10 percent interest in the undivided oil and natural gas underlying:

A certain tract of land lying in the County of Floyd, state of Kentucky, and commonly referred to as the Minerva Hamilton tract, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a Haw Tree near the branch, running with the lines of Tract No. 1 to top of the hill, thence around the H.C. Stephens and L.M. Johnson line to the top of the high Knob to a small service tree near a large rock marked with an "X" thence down the branch to the Haw Tree the place of the beginning.

Being the same property conveyed by Cynthia Hamilton, et al, by J.N. Harris, Commissioner, to Bonnie Hamilton, et al, dated July 10, 1924, in Deed Book 96, Page 11, of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on a credit for thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and all subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

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Hon. William S. Kendrick, Floyd County Master Commissioner

Legals

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT  
DIVISION I  
C.A. NO. 11-CI-00343**

**BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP Ika  
COUNTYWIDE  
HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP PLAINTIFF**

**VS.**

**JONATHAN RAY COX,  
ANGELA COX,  
ROBBY WRIGHT  
MARY WRIGHT DEFENDANTS**

**NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of Sale referring to Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 21st day of August, 2012, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$48,254.66, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 13th day of December, 2012 at the hour of 10:15 a.m., the following described real estate lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows: Property Address: 197 KY Route 306, Wheelwright, KY 41669

A certain tract of land or parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and being Lots 46 and 47 as shown on a plat of the City of Wheelwright prepared by Richard E. Martin and recorded in Map File No. 348A in the Office of the Floyd County Clerk.

Being the same property conveyed to Jonathan Ray Cox and Angela Cox, husband and wife, from Robbette Wright and Mary Wright, by deed dated June 8, 2007 and recorded on June 25, 2007 in Deed Book 535, Page 595, of the Floyd County Clerk's records.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of \$5,000.00 of the purchase price with the balance on a credit for thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and all subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

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Hon. William S. Kendrick, Floyd County Master Commissioner

Legals

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT  
DIVISION I  
C.A. NO. 12-CI-571**

**BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. SUCCESSOR BY  
MERGER  
TO BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP Ika  
COUNTYWIDE  
HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP PLAINTIFF**

**VS.**

**ONIBE KIDD, JR.  
PAMELA KIDD  
ROUNDUP LTD DEFENDANTS**

**NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered the 7th day of September, 2012, in the above cause, as their interest in the subject property, in the principal amount of \$49,675.50 with interest thereon, please be advised that I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 20th day of December, 2012 at 10:00 a.m., upon the terms set forth following the description, the following described property, to wit:

Property Address: 160 Big Branch Hollow Road, Banner, KY 41603

Beginning at a corner common to road known as Left Hand Fork Big Branch, Cinda Kidd and Dorner and Linda Parsons, thence along said road in an easterly direction 100 feet to a point; thence a straight line to the opposite side of the Cinda Kidd property as described in the deed of record in Deed Book 308, Page 424; thence following the boundary line of said Cinda Kidd tract to the point, containing one half acre.

Being the same property conveyed by quitclaim deed to Onibe Kidd, Jr. and wife, Pamela Kidd, dated April 12, 2004, of record in Deed Book 500, Page 606, in the office of the Clerk of Floyd County, Kentucky.

A. The successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of \$5,000.00 of the purchase price with the balance on a credit for thirty (30) days, in which event the successful bidder shall be required to execute bond with good surety thereon. Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid. Said bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment for which execution may issue, and a lien shall be retained upon the above described real estate as additional surety.

B. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay the taxes or assessments upon the property for the current year and all subsequent years. All taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds if properly claimed in writing and filed of record by the purchaser prior to the payment of the purchase price.

C. The property described above is sold subject to any easements, restrictions, defects, liens or encumbrances of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such rights of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Hon. William S. Kendrick, Floyd County Master Commissioner





WEDNESDAY,  
DECEMBER 5, 2012

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FLOYD COUNTY

# Lifestyles

## National Rural Health Day recognized

**HAZARD** — The University of Kentucky Center for Excellence in Rural Health recognized National Rural Health Day with the support of Governor Steve Beshear, who proclaimed Nov. 15 as Rural Health Day in Kentucky to coincide with the national day of recognition.

The National Organization of State Offices of Rural Health (NOSORH) established National Rural Health Day two years ago to increase awareness of rural health-related issues and promote the efforts of State Offices of Rural Health and their partners in addressing rural health care concerns.

The UK CERH serves as the federally designated Kentucky Office of Rural Health (KORH), which was established in 1991 as a framework to link small rural communities with local, state and federal resources while working to-

ward long-term solutions to rural health issues. The KORH assists clinicians, administrators and consumers to find ways to improve communications, finances and access to quality health care while insuring that funding agencies and policy makers are made aware of the needs of rural communities.

Some of the programs and grants available at the KORH include Kentucky's Rural Hospital Flexibility Program grant program, which allows small hospitals the flexibility to reconfigure operations and be licensed as Critical Access Hospitals in order to receive cost-based reimbursement, plus an additional 1 percent.

"Endeavors like this are essential to stabilize the smallest and most vulnerable rural hospitals, and to improve access to hospital-based care for rural popu-

lations," said Larry Allen, KORH director.

Allen said other services of the KORH include the Small Rural Hospital Improvement Grant (SHIP), which provides funding to support quality improvement initiatives in small hospitals, and the Kentucky State Loan Repayment Program, which is a 50/50 matching program that increases availability of primary health care services through repayment of education loans to eligible health professionals practicing in health professional shortage areas.

The KORH also partners with the Kentucky Rural Health Association to educate providers and consumers on rural health issues and advocates actions by private and public leaders to assure equitable access to health care for rural Kentuckians.

"We feel very fortunate



Staffers at the UK Center for Excellence in Rural Health display a proclamation from Gov. Steve Beshear, designating Nov. 15 as "Rural Health Day" in Kentucky.

to have the Kentucky Office for Rural Health working on a daily basis with many excellent partners across our State to address

the unique healthcare challenges our rural communities face," said Fran Feltner, director of the UK CERH.

To learn more about

KORH services and technical assistance, visit [www.kyruralhealth.org/korh](http://www.kyruralhealth.org/korh), or call 606-439-3557, or toll-free at 855-859-2374.

## UPike 'powered by Walters'



Bruce Walters Automotive Group recently donated three new Ford Fusions in support of the University of Pikeville's admissions efforts. UPike has had record enrollment for three consecutive years. Walters Automotive Group and Bruce Walters have been longtime supporters of the university and its students. Pictured, from left, University of Pikeville President Paul Patton, Bruce Walters II, and University of Pikeville President-Elect James Hurley.

## AEP Foundation Scholars chosen from 2012 Governor's Scholars

The Governor's Scholars Program has announced the second class of American Electric Power Foundation Governor's Scholars. From the 2012 class of Governor's Scholars, 25 scholars were selected. The AEP Foundation Scholars are sponsored through a \$100,000 commitment to the GSP — \$50,000 for 2011 and \$50,000 for 2012.

The objective of the AEP Foundation Scholars, through the financial assistance of the American Electric Power Foundation, is to support and then recognize 25 Governor's Scholars for 2011 and 2012 from the 20 counties that comprise AEP's service region. These talented scholars are among east Kentucky's finest and they are becoming the educators, physicians, scientists, business leaders, and other professionals, as well as the civic leadership for the region.

The 25 scholars selected for 2012 are: Kadin Ashley, Ashland; Jozie Banaas, Olive Hill; Sara Biery, Pikeville; Rex Bray, Manchester; Adam Caskey, Tolleboro; Ryan Conley, Grayson; Kelly Heishman, Ashland; Charly Hyden, Minnie; Brynna Jacobs, Pippa; Passes Zachary Jones, Ashland; Elizabeth Jordan, Paintsville; Zachary Joseph, Whitesburg; Caitlin Kidd, Prestonsburg; Caellaigh Kimpton, Russell; Kaitlin Lomaster, Lousin; Caitlin Malone, Flatwoods; Hayley Mullins, Hazard; Katelyn Newsome, Inez; Lara Osborne, Jonancy; Tracey Standafer, Malone; Cassidy Teager, Morehead; Randall Turner, Lost Creek; Holly Ward, Salyersville; Allison Webb, Lomasville; Jonathan Wells, Grayson.

## 55th Anniversary



Edna and Goldie Hunter, of Wellington, Ohio, celebrated their 55th anniversary Nov. 9. They are the parents of Barbara Hunter, of Honsaker; Doris Thomas, of Acworth, Ga., and Jeff Hunter, of Indian Hills, S.C. They have seven grandchildren, five great grandchildren and one great great grandchild.

## THE FLOYD COUNTY TIMES CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE & GIVEAWAY

Donate and Enter for Your Chance to WIN!!



For each Non-Perishable Food Item or Child's Toy you donate, you'll receive

1 entry into our drawing for a chance to win one of two 12 Inch Bicycles!!!  
(1 Boy Bicycle - 1 Girl Bicycle)

For Example:  
If you donate 10 cans of food, you'll have 10 chances to WIN!!  
(No Limit on amount of accepted entries)

Food and Toys collected will be donated and distributed to local Floyd County volunteer operated organizations (Volunteer Fire Departments, Church Food Banks, etc.)

Donations and entries will be accepted  
November 9th - December 7th 2012  
at the Floyd County Times Newspaper office

263 South Central Avenue,  
Prestonsburg  
Hours: 8 am to 5 pm  
Monday - Friday  
(Across from  
Ray Howard's Furniture)

Winners will be announced in the  
Wednesday, December 12th 2012  
edition of

The Floyd County Times  
Items we will accept:  
Any Non-Perishable Food Items  
(canned goods & boxed items)  
NEW Unopened Toys for  
Children  
(no matter how big or small)

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